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# The Music of George Washington's Time

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## PREFACE

Music will inevitably play an important part in many of the celebrations arranged to commemorate the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington. It is fitting, therefore, that the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington offer to the people of the United States, authoritative and comprehensive information on the music of Washington's time—music written in his day to extol his virtues and to commemorate his achievements; songs and pieces known and performed in eighteenth century America; and music associated with historic events and personages.

In publishing and distributing this booklet it is our aim to give correct and interesting information, not only on the origin of our first national airs, but also on musical conditions in early America, the influences that shaped our musical life, and most important, the relation of music to the events of the period. It is earnestly hoped that these pages will be helpful in suggestions to those arranging musical programs, and to all who wish to learn of the important part that music played in our beginnings as a nation.

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## I. THE MUSIC OF GEORGE WASHINGTON'S TIME

### 1.

#### THE MUSICAL BACKGROUND

##### Musical Conditions in Early America

To understand the music of George Washington's time, it is necessary to know musical conditions in America from the days of the first settlers to the end of the eighteenth century. Although there was little music here in the years immediately following the first coming of the white men, it is not correct to assume that there was no considerable musical life in the Colonies by the time our nation asserted and won its independence. True, our ancestors were largely dependent on musical importations from abroad, yet concerts, ballad operas, and musical evenings in the home were frequent in the principal cities from 1750 on.

There were several attitudes toward music in America's infancy. In New England the muse of song had a difficult road to travel. She was viewed suspiciously by the Puritans, who at first would allow no musical instruments, and would tolerate singing only as an aid to divine worship, and then only after bitter arguments as to the propriety of singing Psalms in church.

In New York, Pennsylvania and the South, music and secular diversions were more welcome than in New England, although the Quakers in Pennsylvania considered plays, games, lotteries, music and dancing alike, and advised all their members to have nothing to do with them.

To our present knowledge, there were no native-born composers of music until the time of Francis Hopkinson (1737-1791), signer of the Declaration of Independence, treasurer of loans during the Revolution, Judge of the Admiralty of Pennsylvania, and a great cultural influence in eighteenth century Philadelphia. Hopkinson, a friend of George Washington, is credited with being the first American composer, and we shall hear later of his songs, which were charming and reflective of the musical style and taste of the period, even though they may have lacked individuality.

The manuscript book containing Hopkinson's first song bears the date 1759, one hundred and fifty years after the Jamestown colony was first established. The next composer to appear was James Lyon, (1735-1794), a clergyman who wrote a number of hymns, anthems and psalm tunes. In 1770, the year Beethoven was born, William Billings of Boston (1746-1800) published a book called the *New England Psalm Singer*, in which he included a number of his own compositions, among them some "fuguing pieces", as he called them, crude attempts at the fugues of the masters. Billings had little training as a musician, but he was important for his desire to be original, and for the undoubted vitality he put into his own music, and that of his colleagues.

Soon after the appearance of Hopkinson, Billings and Lyon, other native composers appeared, and while none of them achieved anything that could be considered great, they planted the seeds of a native musical product which has developed to our own day. One of these musicians, Oliver Holden, published in 1793 a hymn-tune that has had continued life, and is known throughout the world—*Coronation*, sung to the words, "All hail the power of Jesus' name".

Throughout the eighteenth century there had of course been foreign musicians in America, who had come from abroad, and because of their superior training had exerted a strong influence on our musical life. In Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, the Moravian colony which was settled in 1741 enjoyed music that was unknown elsewhere in America. Intense music lovers, these Germans brought their instru-

ments and their voices with them, and their orchestras and choruses performed the works of the masters in a manner worthy of the music. When Washington visited Bethlehem in 1782, he was serenaded by the trombone choir. Yet these Moravians were sufficient unto themselves, and mingled little with their neighbors. Their culture had but slight influence on the rest of America.

After the Revolution more foreign musicians came to our shores, and by the time of the French Revolution they immigrated in wholesale quantities. Better trained than the native Americans, they naturally took our musical life into their own hands, and their works soon took the place of American compositions on concert programs. Of course, most of the foreigners eventually became Americans themselves, and their descendants today can boast a long line of American ancestors, but for the time being they stifled much of our native effort in music. Many of these artists were English, some of them French, a few were Germans, although the great influx of German musicians belongs to the next century—in 1848, at the time of the revolutions in Central Europe.

##### Early Concerts

The first public concert in America, of which we have record, was held in Boston. This was in 1731, at a time when the New England ban against secular music was gradually being lowered. The affair, "a Concert of Music on sundry Instruments", was held in "the great room" at Mr. Pelham's, an engraver, dancing master, instructor in reading and writing, painting upon glass, and a dealer in the "best Virginia tobacco". A few years later the selectmen of Boston allowed Faneuil Hall to be used for "Concerts of Musick", and by 1754 there was a concert hall at the corner of Hanover and Court Streets, where concerts of "Vocal and instrumental Musick to consist of Select Pieces by the Masters" were given. After Boston, the next American city to enjoy a concert was Charleston, South Carolina. Then came New York, where in 1736 there was advertised a "Consort of Musick, Vocal and Instrumental, for the benefit of Mr. Pachelbel, the Harpsichord Part performed by Himself. The Songs, Violins and German Flutes by Private Hands".

If contemporary records are to be trusted, Philadelphia heard its first advertised concert in 1757, when John Palma offered an affair "at the Assembly Room in Lodge Alley", January 25th.<sup>1</sup> Yet it seems altogether likely that there were concerts in the Pennsylvania city before this time, for Philadelphians were cultured, and, except for the Quakers, fond of amusement. There was a dancing master in the city in 1710, and dancing was taught in its boarding schools as early as 1728.

Except for the interval of the Revolution, when the Continental Congress passed a resolution "to discourage every species of extravagance and dissipation . . . exhibition of shows, plays and other expensive diversions and amusements" (1774), concerts were offered regularly in the principal cities during the last half of the century. Their programs contained many works that are forgotten today, yet there were a number of standard pieces which are still being played on concert programs. Handel, Haydn, and, in the closing years of the century, Mozart, were well represented, and the overtures of the London Bach—Johann Christian (son of Johann Sebastian)—were played often.

Typical programs of the period show a variety of compositions. In 1769 an Italian resident of Philadelphia, John (Giovanni) Gualdo offered this characteristic list:

<sup>1</sup> Palma followed this with another concert March 25th. In Washington's ledger, March 17th, the following entry appears—"By Mr. Palma's Tickets 52s 6"



## ACT I

Overture composed by the Earl of Kelly  
 "Vain is beatus, gaudy flower" [sung] by Miss Hallam  
 Trio composed by Mr Gualdo, first violin by Master Billy Crumpton  
 "The Spinning Wheel", by Miss Storer  
 A German flute concert, with Solos, composed by Mr Gualdo  
 A new symphony after the present taste, composed by Mr. Gualdo

## ACT II

A new Violin concerto with solos, composed by Mr Gualdo  
 A Song by Mr Wools  
 A Sonata upon the Harpsichord, by Mr Curtz  
 Solo upon the Clarinet, by Mr Hoffman, junior.  
 Solo upon the Mandolino, by Mr Gualdo  
 Overture, composed by the Earl of Kelly

Many of the concert programs offered names and works that are still standard musical fare. Here is a typical example from a subscription series advertised in Philadelphia in 1792, while Washington was president, and the Pennsylvania city the national capital

## ACT I

Grand Overture of Haydn, called la Reine de France  
 [The first movements of symphonies were sometimes offered as "overtures." This was no doubt the first movement of Haydn's Paris Symphony No. 4, "La Reine", composed in 1786]  
 Song Mrs Hodgkinson  
 Quartetto composed by Mr Gehot  
 Concerto Violoncello  
 (composed by the celebrated Duport)  
 Sinfonia Bach [Johann Christian Bach]

## ACT II.

Quartetto Messrs Reinagle, Gehot, Moller, and Capron  
 [While the name of the composer was not given, this may have been a Quartetto by Pleyel, presented again at a later concert of the series by the same performers]  
 Song Mrs Hodgkinson  
 Sonata Piano Forte Mr. Moller  
 Double Concerto, Clarinet and Bassoon Messrs Wolf and Youngblut  
 Overture Reinagle

Other concerts of the series offered standard works as well as original compositions by the performers. Such names as Stamitz, Gretry, Vanhall, Boccherini, Pleyel, Martini and Handel are encountered frequently

Haydn was represented by symphonies, piano sonatas, an occasional trio and numerous "overtures" and "finales", probably first and last movements, respectively, of symphonies. Mozart's name does not appear as often as that of Haydn, but there are references to his piano sonatas, and other works. Handel was performed frequently, the *Messiah* was first presented in New York in 1770. Many concerts in America offered selections from the *Messiah*, and often when a chorus was available, the "Hallelujah" Chorus would be sung, sometimes "with an accompaniment of kettledrums." The overtures to Handel's oratorios were favorites—such works as *Samson*, and the opera, *Otho*. The march from *Judas Maccabeus* was often performed.

Washington, known to be a frequent concert-goer, must have been familiar with much of the music performed in his day. O. G. Sonneck in his essay on "The Musical Side of Our First President", has traced a number of concerts which Washington is known to have

<sup>1</sup>Reprinted as a pamphlet, *George Washington as a Friend and Patron of Music*, published by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington

attended, and has described their programs. Still another program is particularly interesting, for it was offered in Philadelphia in the Spring of 1787, four days after the Constitutional Convention had assembled (May 25). Under the date of May 29th Washington noted in his diary that he "accompanied Mrs Morris to the benefit concert of a Mr Juhan." The *Pennsylvania Packet* printed the program of Mr Juhan's concert

## ACT 1st

Grand Overture	Martini
Song	Reinagle
Solo Violin (newly composed)	Juhan

## ACT 2nd

Overture to the Deserter [a ballad opera, by Monsigny]	
Concerto Flute	Brown
Sonata Piano Forte	Reinagle
Concerto Violoncello	Capron

## ACT 3rd

Concerto Violin	Cramer
Sonata Guttar	Capron
(By desire) the Overture to Rosina [ballad opera, by Shield]	

The works of Reinagle on this program are of especial interest, for Reinagle was one of the most important musicians who came to America from Europe in the latter eighteenth century. Several of his works have recently been reprinted in modern editions<sup>1</sup>, and it is evident that while he was no great genius, he was nevertheless a well-equipped musician, possessed of taste and imagination. Before coming to America in 1786 he had been an intimate friend of Carl Philip Emmanuel Bach. It is generally supposed that he was engaged as the music teacher of Washington's step-grand-daughter, Nelly Custis, whom Washington adopted legally when her father died.

Reinagle was important also as a theatrical manager, for in 1793, in association with Thomas Wignell, he built and managed the Chestnut Street Theatre in Philadelphia, which presented brilliant seasons at the nation's capital during Washington's second administration. Washington was always a lover of the theatre, and attended it frequently from his early manhood in Virginia, where plays were given at Fredericksburg and Williamsburg.

The theatre and music were inseparably associated in eighteenth century America, for many of the theatrical performances were ballad-operas—plays interspersed with music, somewhat like our present-day musical comedies. Often, too, the actors would sing popular songs between the acts of the drama.

*The Beggar's Opera*, by Gay and Pepusch; *Rosina*, by Shield; *The Mountaineers*, by Arnold; *Love in a Village*, by Arne and others; *No Song, No Supper*, by Storace, were among the favorites. The songs from these plays were also the popular songs of the day, and many of them were traditional ballads.

## \* Popular Songs in the Eighteenth Century

It is not possible even to estimate the age of any of the so-called American folk-songs, although it is probable that a number were in existence before 1800. On the other hand, the popular music of the eighteenth century is well-known. The literature of peoples' songs consisted largely of English ballads and songs, some of them introduced in the ballad-operas. Many of these songs are still current, and it is not difficult to re-enact the singing of Washington's time.

The famous tune of *Green Sleeves* is very old, some authorities date it from 1580, so it must have been known in America during Washington's boyhood. *The Vicar of Bray* appeared in ballad-operas from 1728.

<sup>1</sup>See catalogues of music, pages 24, 25 and 26

### The Vicar of Bray

In good King Charles's gold-en days, When loy-al-ty no  
harm meant, A zeal-ous high-church man was I, And so I got pre-fer-ment  
To teach my flock I nev-er miss'd Kings were by God ap-point-ed, And  
lost are those that dare re-sist Or touch the Lord's a-noint-ed And  
thus is law that I'll main-tain Un-til my dy-ing day, Sir, that  
what-so-ev-er King shall reign, Still I'll be the Vi-car of Bray, sir

*Girls and Boys Come Out to Play* appeared in the ballad-opera *Polly*, a sequel to the *Beggar's Opera*, in 1729

### Girls and Boys Come out to Play

Girls and boys come out to play, The moon doth shine as bright as day  
Leave your sup-per and leave your sleep, And come to your play-fel-lows down the street  
Come with a whoop, come with a call, Come with good-will or not at all  
Up the lad-der and down the wall, A half-pen-ny roll will serve us all

Old King Cole announced his appearance in Gay's *Achilles* in 1733 with this tune

### Old King Cole

Old King Cole was a mer-ry old soul, And a  
mer-ry old soul was he, And he call'd for his pipe, And he  
call'd for his cow, And he call'd for his fid-dlers three  
Then two-die, two-die, two-die, two-die, two-die went the fid-dlers,  
Two-die, two-die, two-die, two-die, two-die went twee, There's  
none so rare as can com-pare To King Cole and his fid-dlers three

*Rule Britannia* was highly popular in the colonies before the Revolution. Dr. Arne composed the music in 1740, and it was well-known in America within a few years after this date. *Sally in Our Alley* has had an honorable career in America as well as in England. The

words have been sung to two tunes, the first dating from 1719, and composed by Henry Carey

### Sally in Our Alley

Henry Carey

Of all the girls that are so smart, There's none like pret-ty Sal-ly,  
She is the dar-ling of my heart, And lives in our al-ley  
There's ne'er a la-dy in the land that's half so sweet as  
Sal-ly, She is the dar-ling of my heart, And lives in our al-ley

About 1760, however, Carey's tune seems to have been discarded, and since that time the verses have been sung to a tune known earlier as *The Country Lass*

### Sally in Our Alley

Tune used after 1760

Of all the girls that are so smart, There's none like pret-ty Sal-ly,  
She is the dar-ling of my heart, And lives down in our al-ley  
There is no la-dy in the land is half so sweet as  
Sal-ly, She is the dar-ling of my heart, And lives in our al-ley

*The Girl I Left Behind Me* has always been popular with fife and drum corps. Authorities differ as to its age, some think it originated about 1758, while others date its English origin as late as 1778. The stirring tune of *The British Grenadiers* was also popular in America. The age of this air is unknown, although there is reason to believe that it originated in England in the Elizabethan period. There are frequent references to it on American concert programs, from as early as 1769.

*Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes*, as a poem, is very old, for its author, Ben Jonson, lived from 1573 to 1637. No doubt it has been known as a song for several centuries, but the present tune cannot safely be dated before 1780. It was frequently sung in America after 1790.

*O, Dear, What Can the Matter Be* started its American vogue in the closing years of the eighteenth century. Different authorities date its English origin from 1780 to 1792, and American references to the song date from its publication in Shaw's *Gentleman's Amusement* in 1795.

This is but a brief list of some of the English songs popular in Washington's time which are still known today. Doubtless he was familiar with them, for he went to concerts and the theatre, and also enjoyed the playing of music in his own home. While he probably played no instruments nor sang himself, he nevertheless provided instruments and a musical education to his stepchildren and step-grandchildren. At Mount Vernon there are still preserved several music books which belonged to the Washington household, two of them were owned by Martha Parke Custis, the daughter of Martha Washington, who died in 1773. One of these bears the signature of Martha Custis, and the date 1769. It is entitled

Harpichord or spinnet—Miscellany, being a Graduation of Proper Lessons from the Beginner to the tollerable Performer. Chiefly intended to save Masters the trouble of writing for their Pupils. To which are prefixed some Rules for Time. By Robert Bremner

Included in the contents are a *Lesson* by Lully, a *Gavot* (in F) by Corelli, and a few popular airs of the period—such tunes as *Maggie Lauder* and *God Save the King*.

The other book belonging to Martha Custis was entitled *New and Complete Instructions for the Guitar*. It contained a number of dances of the period, minuets, cotillions, and such country dances as *The Hay-Makers Dance*, and many popular airs, among them *Here's to the maiden of bashful fifteen*, *I wunna marry ony mon*, and others.

Three of the music books at Mount Vernon belonged to Eleanor Parke (Nelly) Custis, and among their contents are six sonatas by Nicolai (Nos I to VI inclusive), *Overture de Blaise et Babet* by Dezède, adapted for the Piano Forte, the score of Goldsmith's *The Hermit*, set to music by James Hook, and three piano sonatas by G. Maurer.

### The Dances of Washington's Time

Dancing was a popular diversion in eighteenth century America, and Washington himself was particularly fond of it. In early manhood, during the Revolution, and in the years of his presidency he attended many "assemblies". He enjoyed such affairs to his last days, and it was only in 1799 that he was compelled to write to the managers of the Alexandria Assembly:

Mrs Washington and myself have been honored with your polite invitation to the assemblies of Alexandria this winter, and thank you for this mark of your attention. But, alas! our dancing days are no more. We wish, however all those who have a relish for so agreeable and innocent an amusement all the pleasure the season will afford them.

The minuet and the gavotte were the formal dances of Washington's time. European composers were of course using these forms for movements of their suites and their sonatas, notably Haydn and Mozart. Martini and Boccherini supplied many such dances, and the latter's charming Minuet in A is still a favorite. (This was composed in 1771, and first published abroad in 1775.)

Composers in America, too, wrote prolifically for dancing. In 1770 Gualdo, in Philadelphia, advertised his *Six New Minuets, with Proper Cadences for Dancing*. The Library of Congress has an autograph collection of dance tunes by Pierre Landrin Duport, a dancing master of the day who was also an excellent musician. Among these pieces are a *Fancy Minuet*, "danced before Genl. Washington, 1792", and a *Fancy Minuet with Figure Dance*, performed "by two young ladies in the presence of Mrs Washington in 1792. Philada." Alexander Reinagle was among the composers who wrote minuets and gavottes.<sup>1</sup>

There are frequent references also to the sarabande and the allemande, although strictly these belong to an earlier period. The waltz was probably not current in America until the close of the century, for it did not make its appearance in Central Europe until 1780, and was not used in England and France much earlier than 1791 or 1792. One of the earliest American references to the waltz was the publication of a *Dance for Waltzing*, issued by George Willig of Philadelphia, somewhere between 1795 and 1797.

Reels and country dances were equally, if not more popular than the more formal minuet and gavotte. There are dozens of contemporary references to reels, jigs, country dances, and the contre-dance, or quadrille. One of Washington's favorite dance tunes was *Successful Campaign*,<sup>2</sup> which was also one of the popular marches of the period.

<sup>1</sup>The Duport minuets, and the minuet and gavotte by Reinagle are included in *Music from the Days of George Washington*, published by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington.

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*The Hay-Makers Dance* was a favorite tune.

### The Hay-Makers Dance



### Musical Instruments

By Washington's time a variety of musical instruments was used in America. As early as 1761 Washington ordered a spinet from abroad. The harpsichord, and later the piano-forte, were found in many homes, and were used at concerts.<sup>1</sup> Violins and 'cellos were well-known, and the so-called German flute was as necessary to a perfect eighteenth century gentleman's outfit as his wig or powdered hair.

The concert programs of the day give an idea of the instruments that were most used, for many of them announce the instrumentation of the orchestras that performed, as well as the instruments used by soloists. We have already learned that Gualdo's concert in 1769 offered solos on the violin, the German flute, the clarinet, the harpsichord, and the mandolino.<sup>2</sup> Earlier than this, however, is an account of the music played in the church at Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, on Christmas Day, 1743. The instruments used included the violin, the viola da braccio, the viola da gamba, flutes, and French horns. One of the earliest references to trombones comes from Bethlehem, when in 1754 a number of them were brought from Europe. It is recorded that one night in 1755 a number of trombonists at Bethlehem ward off an Indian attack by playing chorales. Trumpets, too, were known in America at an early date in the eighteenth century.

It has sometimes been stated that wood-wind instruments, the oboe and bassoon especially, were not used to any extent until the latter part of the century, but this is not accurate, for there are early references to such instruments. In 1757 the *Pennsylvania Gazette* announced that Mr. Charles Love, an actor, was wanted in Virginia for running away from a gentleman of that state with a "small white horse", and "a very good bassoon".

In 1786 the proprietor of the Pennsylvania Coffee House in Philadelphia announced

that by desire of several gentlemen, he has proposed for the summer season to open a Concert of Harmonial Music, which will consist of the following instruments, viz

Two clarinets	Two bassoons
Two French horns	One flute

Another item from a later date indicated the standard type of orchestra used at concerts. At an affair at Oeller's Hotel, Philadelphia, 1796, a supplementary orchestra of amateurs was used to augment the *concertino*, or small band of soloists, which was constituted thus:

First violin and leader of the band...	Mr. Gillingham
Principal violoncellos	Mr. Menel
Double Bass	Mr. Demarque
Principal Hautboy [Oboe]	Mr. Shaw
Tenor [Viola]	Mr. Berenger
Bassoon and trumpet	Mr. Priest
Horns	Messrs Gray and Homman
Violins	Messrs Daugel, Bouchony, Stewart and Schetky

<sup>1</sup>Pianos were manufactured in America from 1774.

<sup>2</sup>See Pages 5 and 6.

Sometimes large orchestras were assembled for festivals, one of them particularly is worthy of comment—a charity concert in 1786 promoted by an English musician in Philadelphia, Andrew Adgate, performed by a chorus of 230 and an orchestra of 50

There are several instruments at Mount Vernon which belonged to the Washington family—a flute, a citra or guttar, and the harpsichord which Washington bought for Nelly Custis. These were the instruments most often found in homes, and on which young people as well as adults were taught to play. Several passages from two letters of a young New England girl of twelve years, who was studying at the school in Bethlehem, told her parents of her musical education. They were written in 1787

There are about thirty little girls of my age. Here I am taught music both vocal and instrumental. I play the guitar twice a day, am taught the spinet and forte-piano, and sometimes I play the organ

She also told of the music at the Bethlehem church services. They sang enchantingly, in which they are joined with the bass-viol, violins and an organ. To call the people into chapel four French horns are blown, with which you would be delighted. After we are in bed, one of the ladies, with her guitar and voice, serenades us to sleep

She described the Moravian Christmas celebration.

We began with music. There were four violins, two flutes, and two horns, with the organ, which altogether sounded delightfully. The children sang one German and eight English verses. . . Many of the neighboring inhabitants came to visit us. . . We entertained them with music

#### Military Bands of the Revolution

There are many contemporary references to the military bands of the day, and there has been much discussion as to what they consisted of. It is probable that they were not the brass bands of our generation, but were rather fife and drum corps. John C. Fitzpatrick, in his book, *The Spirit of the Revolution*, presents a number of arguments to support this theory, and he also describes the function of fifes and drums in the Continental Army. Instead of the bugle, the drum was used for military orders, with such signals as the Reveille, the General, the Assembly, the Retreat, and the Tappoo which became Taps. Many of the flute books of the period are filled with marches, scored for two flutes, which would seem to indicate that flutes, and in the case of army bands, fifes, were used in two-part arrangements

There are only a few references to contradict the belief that fifes and drums were the sole instrumentation of American bands in the eighteenth century, especially during the period of the Revolution. Among these is an account of a concert conducted by Josiah Flagg of Boston, with a program of "vocal and instrumental musick accompanied by French horns, hautboys [oboes], etc by the band of the 64th Regiment." This was in 1771, and of course the 64th Regiment was a British organization, not American. It is known that Flagg organized a band himself, but there is no account of the instruments it contained

The printed version of a *Federal March*, played in Philadelphia in 1788, contained directions for "trumpets." This, however, was several years after the Revolution.<sup>1</sup>

An interesting item is found in an edition of Kotzwara's sonata, *The Battle of Prague*, "adapted for a full band" by J. G. C. S[c]hetky, published in Philadelphia in 1793. The word "band", however, is misleading, for the edition has parts for basso, violino, and cannon ("to be played on a drum"). The piano score has directions for horn call and trumpet

No doubt hautboys were sometimes used with the fifes, although the 1756 account of

The Philadelphia Regiment consisting of upwards of 1000 able bodied effective men [who] after being review'd and performing the manual Exercise [marched] thro' the town in Three Grand Divisions with Hautboys and Fifes in Ranks [and] Drums between the third and fourth Ranks,

referred to an English rather than an American regiment

Yet the music of the fife and drum, if these were indeed the only instruments used in Continental bands, was often stirring, and inspired soldiers to action. The old English tunes, *The Girl I Left Behind Me*, *The British Grenadiers*, as well as *Yankee Doodle* and the marches of the day were widely played by the fifers. The drum major and the fife major were persons of distinction in the army

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### MUSIC ASSOCIATED WITH HISTORIC EVENTS

#### The Music of Pre-Revolutionary Episodes

A CHRONOLOGICAL account of the music that originated in Washington's time forms something of a history of his career, and of American events generally. During his boyhood and early manhood, Washington heard chiefly English music. Of English patriotic airs, *God Save the King* was probably composed in England in 1740, and was no doubt known in the colonies soon after that time. *Yankee Doodle* originated either in America or in England while Washington was a young man, for the common tradition regarding Dr. Schuckburg, who composed verses to the tune, and played a joke on the Yankee troops at Albany, dates from 1758, during the French-Indian Wars

The year 1759 saw the composition of the first known song by a native American composer, for that is the date marked on the manuscript book containing Francis Hopkinson's *My Days Have Been so Wondrous Free*. It is altogether fitting that this charming amateur should have been the first American composer of music, for, as we have already learned, he was a man active in political and cultural affairs

The events of the French-Indian War were commemorated with music. A *Thanksgiving Anthem*, by William Tuckey, an English musician resident in New York, was performed December 8, 1760, in Trinity Church, "before his Excellency General Amherst, on his return to New York from the conquest of Canada." The Peace of Paris, by which France ceded to England all of Canada and, with the exception of New Orleans, all of her region east of the Mississippi, was accomplished February 10, 1763. In the same year we find a number of musical celebrations to mark the event. On May 17th, at the College of Philadelphia, there was performed an *Exercise, Containing a Dialogue and Ode*, "on occasion of the peace", written by "Paul Jackson, A.M.", for solo voice and chorus. On September 28th, the senior class of Nassau Hall delivered an original *Dialogue on Peace*, "interspersed with music", at its anniversary commencement. A number of years later, in the *Pennsylvania Magazine* of March 1775, a song was printed to commemorate the *Death of General Wolfe*, who fell during the taking of Quebec in 1759

The music of this period shows the loyalty of the colonists. Even at a time when there were tremors of discord with England, poets and composers publicly paid homage to the sovereign and to the mother country. At the commencement of the College of Philadelphia, May 23, 1761, the students performed *An Exercise Containing a Dialogue and Ode*, written and set to music by Francis Hopkinson, "sacred to the memory of his late gracious Majesty, George II." The next year Hopkinson wrote another *Ode and Dialogue* for the commencement,

<sup>1</sup>See Pages 8-18

on the accession of his gracious Majesty, George III" Little did Hopkinson know that more stringent enforcement of the obnoxious Navigation Acts would be ordered in 1764 or that in 1765 the Stamp Act Congress would find it necessary to publish a "declaration of rights and grievances"

There were other musical testimonials to the greatness of Britain. The *Ode on the Late Glorious Successes of His Majesty's Arms and Present Greatness of the English Nation*, published by William Dunlap in Philadelphia in 1762, may have called for music, and it is highly probable that James Lyon composed the music for *The Military Glory of Great Britain*, "an entertainment given by the late candidates for bachelor's degree, held in Nassau Hall, N J, September 29, 1762"

#### Songs Showing Early Resentment of England's Attitude on Taxation

In 1765 we begin to find references to the colonies' resentment of their treatment by England. One of the earliest was a ballad called *American Taxation*, written soon after the ship *Edward* arrived in New York bearing news of the passage of the Stamp Act.

There are many references in Revolutionary history to the tune *The World Turned Upside Down*, and we shall learn later that Cornwallis' troops are supposed to have surrendered to its strains. There is, however, considerable confusion as to what tune was played on various occasions. In 1767, the year of the Townshend Acts, which laid duties on important commodities for the support of a British army in America, and of the law suspending the New York Assembly, an anonymous poet contributed to the *Gentleman's Magazine* a poem entitled *The World Turned Upside Down*, or *The Old Woman Taught Wisdom*, intended as "an humble attempt to reconcile the parent and her children, made by a peace-maker to Great Britain and her Colonies," an entirely different poem than the English verses with the same title. Later, when the words were printed on a music sheet, they were adapted to the English tune, *Derry Down*. Chappell, in *Popular Music of the Olden Time*, gives this tune in the following version:

#### Derry Down



With the exception of the refrain, which was omitted, the peace-making verses could be easily sung to this melody:

Goody Bull and her daughter together fell out,  
Both squabbled and wrangled, and made a ——— rout,  
But the cause of the quarrel remains to be told,  
Then lend both your ears, and a tale I'll unfold

The old lady, it seems, took a freak in her head,  
That her daughter, grown woman, might earn her own bread  
Self-applauding her scheme, she was ready to dance,  
But we're often too sanguine in what we advance.

In vain did the matron hold forth in the cause,  
That the young one was able, her duty, the laws,  
Ingratitude vile, disobedience far worse,  
But she might e'en as well sung psalms to a horse.

Young, froward, and sullen, and vain of her beauty,  
She tartly replied, that she knew well her duty,

That other folks' children were kept by their friends,  
And that some folks loved people but for their own ends

Alas! cries the old woman, and must I comply?  
But I'd rather submit than the huzzy should die,  
Pooh, prithee be quiet, be friends and agree,  
You must surely be right, if you're guided by me

Unwillingly awkward, the mother knelt down,  
While her absolute farmer went on with a frown,  
Come, kiss the poor child, here come, kiss and be friends!  
There, kiss your poor daughter and make her amends

#### Dickinson's "Liberty Song", and its Parodies

John Dickinson of Delaware is generally credited with being the author of the first patriotic song composed in America. Dickinson was an ardent patriot, even though he did at first oppose the Declaration of Independence, because he doubted the policy of Congress "without some percursorial trials of our strength". He had long been active in public affairs—a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly in 1764, and of the Congress of 1765. It was in 1768 that he contributed his *Liberty Song* to the *Boston Gazette*. Here are a few of its verses:

Come join hand in hand, brave Americans all,  
And rouse your bold hearts at fair Liberty's call,  
No tyrannous acts shall suppress your just claim,  
Or stain with dishonor America's name

Refrain — In Freedom we're born, and in freedom we'll live,  
Our purses are ready,  
Steady, friends, steady,  
Not as slaves, but as freemen our money we'll give

Our worthy forefathers—let's give them a cheer—  
To climates unknown did courageously steer,  
Thro' oceans to deserts, for freedom they came,  
And, Dying, bequeath'd us their freedom and fame

Refrain — In Freedom we're born, etc  
All ages shall speak with amaze and applause,  
Of the courage we'll show in support of our laws,  
To die we can bear,—but to serve we disdain,  
For shame is to freedom more dreadful than pain

Refrain:— In Freedom we're born, etc.

The final stanza shows that at this early date there was no thought of disloyalty to Britain.

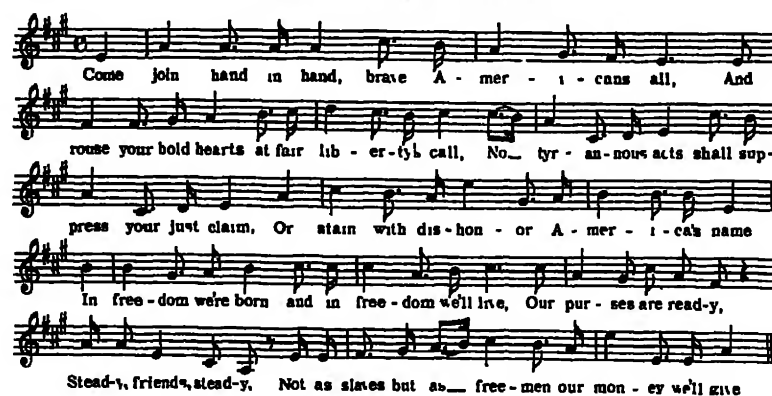
This bumper I crown for our sovereign's health,  
And thus for Britannia's glory and wealth,  
That wealth, and that glory immortal may be,  
If she is but just, and we are but free

Refrain.— In Freedom we're born, etc.

Dickinson's song was set to an English tune, *Hearts of Oak*, which was composed by Dr. William Boyce, and made its first appearance in a ballad opera in 1759:

#### Hearts of Oak

with the words of the Liberty Song





Soon after the *Liberty Song* was printed, a parody appeared in the *Boston Gazette*:

Come shake your dull noddles, ye pumpkins, and bawl,  
And own you are mad at fair Liberty's call  
No scandalous conduct can add to your shame,  
Condemned to dishonor, inherit the fame

Refrain — In folly you're born, and in folly you'll live,  
To madness still ready,  
And stupidly steady,  
Not as men, but as monkeys, the tokens you give

The patriots were ready with a rejoinder to this tory taunt, and *The Parody Parodied*, or the *Massachusetts Liberty Song*, was published not only in America, but appeared in the *St James Chronicle*, London, in November, 1768:

Come swallow your bumpers, ye tories, and roar,  
That the sons of fair Freedom are hamper'd once more,  
But know that no cut-throats our spirits can tame,  
Nor a host of oppressors shall smother the flame

Refrain — In freedom we're born, and, like sons of the brave,  
We'll never surrender,  
But swear to defend her,  
And scorn to survive, if unable to save

Let tyrants and minions presume to despise,  
Encroach on our rights, and make freedom their prize  
The fruits of their rapine they never shall keep  
'Tho' vengeance may nod, yet how short is her sleep!

Refrain — In freedom we're born, etc  
Not the glitter of arms, nor the dread of a fray,  
Could make us submit to their chains for a day,  
Withheld by affection, on Britons we call,—  
Prevent the fierce conflict which threatens your fall!

Refrain — In freedom we're born, etc

In these years various overt acts were gradually leading the Colonies and England to the inevitable struggle. March 5th, 1770, saw the Boston Massacre, and soon afterwards an anonymous British sympathizer circulated this song on a broadside, adapted to the *Derry Down* tune

You simple Bostonians, I'd have you beware,  
Of your Liberty Tree, I would have you take care,  
For if that we chance to return to the town,  
Your houses and stores will come tumbling down  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

Our fleet and our army, they soon will arrive,  
Then to a bleak island, you shall not us drive  
In every house you shall have three or four,  
And if that will not please you, you shall have half a score  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

The Boston Tea Party occurred in December, 1773, and soon a number of songs were devoted to the subject of tea—*The Taxed Tea*, *Virginia Banishing Tea*, and *The Blasted Herb*

Early in 1775 the British Parliament rejected the petition of the Colonies, and declared that a state of rebellion existed in America. The Continental Congress appointed Washington head of the American army on June 15th. As yet there was officially no thought of independence from England, but a number of the song poets made no attempt to hide such possibilities. Here is a song to the *Derry Down* tune written in 1775.

What a court hath old England, of folly and sin,  
Spite of Chatham and Camden, Barre, Burke, Wilkes and Glynn!  
Not content with the game act, they tax fish and sea,  
And America drench with hot water and tea  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

There's no knowing where this oppression will stop,  
Some say—there's no cure but a capital chop,  
And that I believe's each American's wish,  
Since you've drench'd them with tea, and depriv'd 'em of fish  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

Three Generals' these mandates have borne 'cross the sea,  
To deprive 'em of fish and to make 'em drink tea,  
In turn, sure, these freemen will boldly agree,  
To give 'em a dance upon Liberty Tree  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

Then freedom's the word, both at home and abroad,  
And ——— every scabbard that hides a good sword!  
Our forefathers gave us this freedom in hand,  
And we'll die in defence of the rights of the land  
Derry down, down, hey derry down

### Yankee Doodle Becomes an American Song

The battles of Lexington and Concord resulted in at least one important capture by the Colonial troops, for it was at this time that *Yankee Doodle* became an American song. Since the days of the French-Indian War the song had been used by the British to make fun of the colonials, "in their ragged regimentals". The term "Yankee" was indeed an insulting epithet when Captain Preston hurled it at the crowd during the Boston Massacre. One of the favorite pastimes of the British troops had been to gather in front of the New England churches and sing *Yankee Doodle* while the churchgoers were singing their Psalms. Then, in 1775, when Lord Percy led the reinforcements out of Boston on the 18th of April, bound for Lexington to help those who had gone before them to capture John Hancock and Samuel Adams, they kept step to the strains of *Yankee Doodle*. When the British retreated from Lexington and Concord, affairs were in a complete turn-about, for the Yankees appropriated the song for themselves, and sang it back at the British as they fled. Since then it has been an American song.

It is difficult to determine what words to *Yankee Doodle* may have been sung on various occasions, for there are so many different sets of verses. The stanza that is best known today.

Yankee Doodle came to town  
Riding on a pony  
Stuck a feather in his cap  
And called it macaroni

may have originated as early as 1764, for the word *macaroni* probably refers to the fop or dandy who was a member of an affected class of Englishmen about 1760.

Possibly the British marched to Lexington singing the following words, for they refer to their specific errand:

Yankee Doodle came to town  
For to buy a firelock  
We will tar and feather him  
And so we will John Hancock.

Washington's arrival at the Provincial Camp near Cambridge, July 2, 1775, may account for a reference in one of the most widely current sets of *Yankee Doodle* verses. O G Sonneck believed that the famous "Father and I Went Down to Camp" words were composed

<sup>1</sup>Burgoyne, Clinton, Howe

by a Harvard student, Edward Bangs, at the camp either in 1775 or 1776

Father and I went down to camp,  
Along with Captin [sic] Gooding,  
There we see the men and boys  
As thick as hasty-pudding

#### Chorus

Yankee Doodle keep it up,  
Yankee Doodle dandy,  
Mind the music and the step,  
And with the girls be handy

And there we see a swamping gun,  
Large as a log of maple,  
Upon a duced little cart,  
A load for father's cattle

And every time they shoot it off,  
It takes a horn of powder,  
It makes a noise like father's gun,  
Only a nation louder

And there was Captain Washington,  
And gentlefolks about him,  
They say he's grown so tarnal proud,  
He will not ride without 'em

He got him on his meeting clothes,  
Upon a slapping stallion,  
He set the world along in rows,  
In hundreds and in millions

There were other verses in similar vein. Many have supposed that because this doggerel derided the Americans, it must have been written by an Englishman, or at least by a British sympathizer. Sonneck took an opposite view.<sup>1</sup>

[The text] is so full of American provincialisms, slang expressions of the time, allusions to American habits, customs, that no Englishman could have penned these verses. To be a British satire on the unmilitary appearance of provincial American troops . . . the verses would have to be derisively satirical, which they are not. They breathe good-natured humor and they deal not at all with the uncouth appearance of American soldiery, but with the experience of a Yankee greenhorn in matters military who went down to a military camp and upon his return narrates in his own naïve style the impressions made on him by all the sights of military pomp and circumstance

*Yankee Doodle* became the battle song of the Revolution. It was sung by the troops and played as a march by their bands of fifes and drums. Throughout the war it faithfully lived up to one of the stanzas sung to its strains:

Yankee Doodle is the tune,  
That we all delight in,  
It suits for feasts, it suits for fun,  
And just as well for fightin'

#### Adaptations of "God Save the King"

Until 1776 *God Save the King* was the national anthem of the British Colonies, as well as of England. The complete break with the mother country came with the Declaration of Independence, and of course her national hymn ceased to be ours. But the tune was current throughout America, and it was but natural that it should be adapted to new words by American patriots. One of these sets of

<sup>1</sup>In Report on "The Star Spangled Banner", "Hail Columbia", "America", "Yankee Doodle", by O. G. Sonneck, Library of Congress, 1909. Gov't Printing office

verses may possibly be dated as early as 1776. It refers to Washington's command, and to the death of Montgomery, who fell in the 1775 campaign against Quebec.

God save America  
Free from despotic sway  
'Till time shall end  
Hushed be the din of arms,  
And to fierce war's alarms,  
Show in all its charms  
Heaven born peace

God save great Washington,  
Fair freedom's warlike son  
Long to command  
May every enemy,  
Far from his presence flee,  
And many grim tyrant  
Fall by his hand

Thy name Montgomery,  
Still in each heart shall be  
Prais'd in each breast  
Tho' on the fatal plain  
Thou most untimely slain,  
Yet shall thy virtue's gain  
Rescue from death

The last verse of the version from which this copy was taken (in a manuscript book dated 1796) must have been written after 1778, when the French alliance was completed

Last in our song shall be  
Guardian of liberty  
Louis the king,  
Terrible god of war  
Plac'd in victorious carr [sic]  
Of fame and of Navarre,  
God save the King

In 1779 the following song appeared in the *Pennsylvania Packet*, written "by a Dutch lady at the Hague, for the sailors of the five American vessels at Amsterdam".

God save the Thirteen States!  
Long rule th' United States!  
God save our States!  
Make us victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
No tyrants over us,  
God save our States!

To our fam'd Washington,  
Brave Stark at Bennington,  
Glory is due  
Peace to Montgomery's shade,  
Who as he fought and bled,  
Drew honors round his head,  
Num'rous as true  
etc., etc

In 1776, while the British were occupying Boston, her neighbor, Connecticut, expressed her encouragement with this song, published in the *Connecticut Gazette*.

Smile, Massachusetts, smile,  
Thy virtue still outbraves  
The frowns of Britain's isle,  
And rage of home-born slaves  
Thy free-born sons disdain their ease,  
When purchased by their liberties

On March 17th Washington compelled Howe to evacuate Boston, and the field of military operations moved from New England. The soldiers of the New England army sang their congratulations

Sons of valor, taste the glories  
Of celestial liberty  
Sing a triumph o'er the tories,  
Let the pulse of joy beat high

One of the many verses, probably added later, referred to the Hessian troops

Let them rove to climes far distant,  
Situate under Arctic skies,  
Call on Hessian troops assistant,  
And the savages to rise

The lyrics and ballads of these years refer constantly to stirring events. The Battle of Trenton, Burgoyne's proclamation on June 20th, 1777, and his defeat at Saratoga in the same year, provided plenty of material for the poets of the day. In 1778 Francis Hopkinson wrote his famous poem, *The Battle of the Kegs*, satirizing the alarm of the British as they destroyed the powder kegs the Americans had floated down the Delaware to annoy British shipping. This, presumably, was sung to the tune of *Yankee Doodle*.

It was in 1778 also that Hopkinson wrote the words and music of his *Toast to Washington*. The words appeared in the *Pennsylvania Packet* of April 8th and the music was recently found in a manuscript book in Hopkinson's handwriting.<sup>1</sup> The *Toast*, with its music, was printed in 1799, for Benjamin Carr of Philadelphia published it in that year together with *Brother Soldiers*, *All Hail*, "a favorite new patriotic song in favor of Washington." The music of this latter song was the *Washington March No. 1*.<sup>2</sup>

#### Billings' "Chester"

William Billings' *Chester* has been termed the "Over There" of the Revolution, and while *Yankee Doodle* was no doubt the most used marching song, *Chester* was certainly sung by the troops throughout the Continental Army. Billings had originally written the melody as a hymn-tune, but when his second book, *The Singing Master's Assistant*, appeared in 1778, it contained *Chester* as a war song, with new words:

**Chester**

William Billings

Let ty-rants shake their i-ron rod And slav-ry

clank her gall-ing chains, We'll fear them not, we

trust in God, New-Eng-land's God for-er reigns

<sup>1</sup>The *Toast* is published in modern form by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington.

<sup>2</sup>See page 15

Howe and Burgoyne and Clinton, too,  
With Prescott and Cornwallis join'd,  
Together plot our overthrow,  
In one infernal league combin'd

When God inspired us for the fight,  
Their ranks were broke, their lines were forc'd,  
Their Ships were Shelter'd in our sight,  
Or swiftly driven from our Coast

The Foe comes on with haughty Stride,  
Our troops advance with martial noise,  
Their Vet'rans flee before our Youth,  
And Gen'rals yield to beardless boys

What grateful Off'ring shall we bring,  
What shall we render to the Lord?  
Loud Hallelujahs let us Sing,  
And praise his name on ev'ry Chord

The unsuccessful attempt to capture Rhode Island by Count D'Estant of the French forces and the American General Sullivan, in August 1778, led the British, or their sympathizers, to attempt the recapture of *Yankee Doodle*, with these verses derisive of the Americans

From Lewis, Monsieur Gerard came,<sup>1</sup>  
To Congress in this town, sir,  
They bow'd to him and he to them,  
And then they all sat down, sir

Begar, said Monsieur, one grand coup,  
You shall bientot behold, sir,  
This was believ'd as gospel true,  
And Jonathan felt bold, sir

So Yankee Doodle did forget  
The sound of British drum, sir,  
How oft it made him quake and sweat,  
In spite of Yankee rum, sir

He took his wallet on his back,  
His rifle on his shoulder,  
And vow'd Rhode Island to attack,  
Before he was much older.

In dread array their tatter'd crew,  
Advanc'd with colors spread, sir,  
Their fifes played Yankee doodle, doo,  
King Hancock at their head, sir

As Jonathan so much deair'd  
To shine in martial story,  
D'Estant with politesse retir'd,  
To leave him all the glory

He left him what was better yet,  
At least it was more use, sir,  
He left him for a quick retreat,  
A very good excuse, sir

#### The Music of Yorktown

The battle of Yorktown, and the final surrender of Cornwallis, October 19, 1781, was duly commemorated in song. *Yankee Doodle* was inevitably one of the tunes that were used. One of the songs was playful.

Cornwallis led a country dance,  
The like was never seen, sir,  
Much retrograde and much advance,  
And all with General Greene, sir.

<sup>1</sup>Gerard was the minister from France, the first minister from any nation to the United States



Greene, in the South, then danc'd a set,  
And got a mighty name, sir,  
Cornwallis jigg'd with young Fayette,  
But suffer'd in his fame, sir

Quoth he, my guards are weary grown  
With footing country dances,  
They never at St James's shone,  
At capers, kicks or dances

His music soon forgets to play—  
His feet can no more move, sir,  
And all his bands now curse the day,  
They jigg'd to our shore, sir

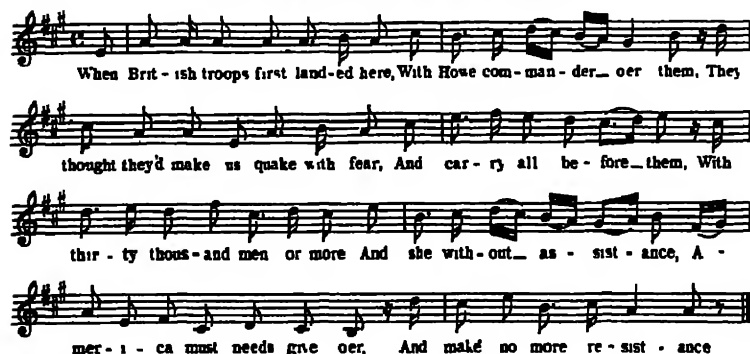
Now tories all, what can ye say?  
Come—is this not a griper,  
That while your hopes are danc'd away,  
'Tis you must pay the piper

The Scotch tune, *Maggie Lauder*, supplied the music for Cornwallis  
*Burgoyne*

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### Maggie Lauder

with the words of Cornwallis Burgoyne



But Washington, her glorious son,  
Of British hosts the terror,  
Soon, by repeated overthrows,  
Convinc'd them of their error,  
Let Princeton, and let Trenton tell,  
What gallant deeds he's done, sir,  
And Monmouth's plains where hun-  
dreds fell,  
And thousands more have run, sir  
Cornwallis, too, when he approach'd  
Virginia's old dominion,  
Thought he would soon her conqu'ror  
be,  
And so was North's opinion  
From State to State with rapid stride,  
His troops had march'd before, sir,  
'Till quite elate with martial pride,  
He thought all danger's o'er, sir  
But our allies, to his surprise,  
The Chesapeake had enter'd,  
And now too late, he curs'd his fate,  
And wish'd he ne'er had ventur'd,

For Washington no sooner knew  
The visit he had paid her,  
Than to his parent State he flew,  
To crush the bold invader.  
When he sat down before the town,  
His Lordship soon surrender'd,  
His martial pride he laid aside,  
And cas'd the British standard  
Gods! how this stroke will North  
provoke,  
And all his thoughts confuse, sir!  
And how the Peers will hang their  
ears,  
When first they hear the news, sir  
Be peace, the glorious end of war,  
By this event effected,  
And be the name of Washington,  
To latest times respected;  
Then let us toast America,  
And France in union with her,  
And may Great Britain rue the day  
Her hostile bands came hither.

Reference has already been made to the music played on the occa-  
sion of Cornwallis' surrender.<sup>1</sup> John Fiske, the eminent historian,  
presents an interesting account of the scene.<sup>2</sup>

The British army became prisoners of war, subject to the ordi-  
nary rules of exchange. The only delicate question related to  
the American loyalists in the army, whom Cornwallis felt it

wrong to leave in the lurch. This point was neatly disposed  
of by allowing him to send a ship to Sir Henry Clinton, with  
news of the catastrophe, and to embark in it such troops as he  
might think it proper to send to New York, and no questions  
asked. On a little matter of etiquette the Americans were more  
exact. The practice of playing the enemy's tunes had always  
been cherished as an inalienable prerogative of British soldiery,  
and at the surrender of Charleston, in token of humiliation,  
General Lincoln's army had been expressly forbidden to play  
any but an American tune. Colonel Laurens, who now con-  
ducted the negotiations, directed that Lord Cornwallis's sword  
should be received by General Lincoln, and that the army on  
marching out to lay down its arms, should play a British or a  
German air. There was no help for it, and on the 19th of  
October, Cornwallis's army, 7,247 in number, with 840 seamen,  
marched out with colours furled and cased, while the band  
played a quaint old English melody, of which the significant  
title was "The World Turned Upside Down".<sup>3</sup>

It is well known that the American bands responded with *Yankee  
Doodle*, the tune that had been hurled at them in derision up to the  
time of Lexington and Concord. But the identity of *The World  
Turned Upside Down* is not so easily established. We have already  
read of the verses that were adapted to *Derry Down*,<sup>4</sup> and the follow-  
ing is the version of a tune that appears in Chappell's *Popular Music  
of the Old Times*, under the title *When the King Enjoys his own  
Again*.

### The World Turned Upside Down



A number of titles were used for this tune, and *The World Turned  
Upside Down* was among them. It is, however, not established that  
this is the tune that was played at Yorktown, although it was known  
to be popular in Revolutionary times.

Shortly after Yorktown, in November, there occurred in Phila-  
delphia the performance of a work that may logically be considered  
as the first American opera. This was an "oratorical entertainment";  
an allegorical-political opera or dramatic cantata, consisting of an over-  
ture, arias, ensembles and choruses in praise of the American alliance  
with France—the work of the eminent Francis Hopkinson.<sup>5</sup> Although  
the music is not extant today, the libretto was printed in the *Freeman's  
Journal* December 19, 1781, with the explanation that it had been  
performed "by a company of gentlemen and ladies in the hotel of the  
minister of France in the presence of his Excellency General Wash-  
ington and his lady".

### Music to Celebrate Peace with England

The peace which was finally concluded September 3, 1783, follow-  
ing the separate preliminary treaty with England of November 1782,  
was celebrated in many ways, and inevitably in song. In 1784 Abra-  
ham Wood of Worcester, Mass., advertised *An Anthem on Peace*,

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<sup>2</sup>Sonneck, in *Francis Hopkinson and James Lyon*, calls attention to the fact  
that while the libretto was printed anonymously in the *Freeman's Journal*,  
it was signed "H" when it was reprinted years later in the *Columbian  
Magazine*. This fact, added to "Sonneck's discovery of a fragment of a  
manuscript in a copy of the second volume of Hopkinson's collected poems  
and prose, seems to establish his authorship of *The Temple of Minerva*  
beyond reasonable doubt.

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<sup>4</sup>*The American Revolution*, by John Fiske, Vol II, pp 282-3: Boston,  
Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

his own composition, as "published and sold by him at his house in Northborough, and at the Printing Office in Worcester". As late as 1785 (July 29), a performance was advertised for the theatre in Philadelphia of *Peace and Liberty*, "a grand serenata . . . consisting of recitation, recitative, airs, and choruses. The parts selected from the works of Thompson, Sterne, etc etc. The music, vocal and instrumental, composed by Handel, Arne, Tenducci, Fischer, Valentino, etc."

Nor were those who had fallen in battle forgotten. Successive issues of the *Pennsylvania Journal* of December 1784, advertised a performance of "Lectures (Being a mixed entertainment of representation and harmony)", in which the opening number would be a *Monody to the memory of the chiefs who have fallen in the cause of American liberty (the music of which is entirely new) adapted to the distinct periods of the recital*. The entertainment was to conclude with a *Ronde-lay*, "celebrating the Independence of America. Music, Scenery and other Decorations".

### The Washington Marches

The year 1784 is important because it is the earliest to which any of the historical *Washington's Marches* has been traced. It is highly probable that at least one of these marches was of Revolutionary origin, and was played by the army fife and drum corps. For many years Sonneck was inclined to the belief that they originated at a later date, and in his most extended analysis of their probable origins, he was extremely doubtful of their association with the Revolution.<sup>1</sup> Since writing this account (1905) he discovered in the *Massachusetts Spy* (Worcester), issue of May 27, 1784, mention of a *Washington's March* that was played at a concert in Philadelphia on May 8th of the same year. This makes the Revolutionary origin of one of the marches not only possible, but probable. It is not, however, an easy matter to determine which of the several pieces was played.

The march which is to-day generally referred to as *Washington's March* runs as follows.

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### Washington's March No. 1



A second march is commonly designated as *Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton*.

The numbers, 1 and 2, by which these marches are designated in these pages, are purely arbitrary, for our own purposes of examination, they do not assume that one or the other is necessarily the older.

It is of course unsafe to base any conclusions upon the evidence of prints and manuscripts extant today, for some item that comes to light tomorrow may upset theories based on circumstantial evidence. Yet the early prints that are available, and the many manuscript collections in libraries and private collections are tempting to those who enjoy the unravelling of mysteries.

It has generally been assumed that March No. 1, as we have termed it, is the older of the two, largely because later editions of March No. 2 give it the title of the *President's New March*. This is not a tenable theory, for both of the marches have been termed the *President's New March* or the *New President's March* on occasion. No printings of either march have been found which may safely be dated earlier than 1794. An undated volume of miscellaneous *Marches and Battles* in the Ridgeway Branch of the Library Company of Philadelphia, contains March No. 1 as *Washington's March*,<sup>2</sup> and No. 2

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### Washington's March No. 2



as *Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton*. Sonneck ventured 1794 as a possible date for this collection of marches. In 1794 or 1795 March No. 1 was printed "at G. Willig's Musical Magazine" in Philadelphia, "as performed at the New Theatre".

While there may have been discovered no prints of March No. 2 earlier than this issue of March No. 1 by Willig, two manuscript items in the Library of Congress are of extreme interest, and possibly of importance. One of these is Henry Beck's *Flute Book*, a manuscript volume of marches and popular airs scored for flute solo and sometimes for two flutes. On the first page of this volume is a pencil date, 1786. If this date is plausible it would probably indicate the year in which the copying was begun, and the fact that some of the later tunes are known to have originated after 1790 would show that the work of transcribing covered a number of years.

In the early part of the book, on page 50, is a piece called *General Wayne's March*, which is none other than our March No. 2, commonly called *Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton*. This may prove nothing, or it may prove a great deal, but it does tend to weaken the belief that March No. 1 is the older. General Wayne, of course, was the Mad-Antony Wayne who added to his reputation by storming Stony Point in 1779. The question whether this march was originally written to commemorate Wayne, and later adapted to honoring Washington, provides material for interesting speculation.

Whatever the origin, and whatever the precedence, these two marches were played, published, and reprinted for years. Often they were both included on the same sheet of music. The following table shows the parallel appearances of the two marches well into the nineteenth century.

<sup>1</sup>As part of *America and Britannia Peace*. "A New March composed by R. Taylor (and so arranged as to Harmonize perfectly with Washington's March played both together)." Taylor came to America in 1792, so this publication must be dated after that time.

	March No 1	March No 2		March No 1	March No 2
1786 (?)		General Wayne's March (in Beck's Flute Book)	1815—18	Washington's March, (scored for 2 flutes and piano, in <i>The Martial Music of Camp Dupont</i> , arranged by Raynor Taylor, Phila., Geo E Blake, 13 So 5th Street)	
1791 (?)		Genl Washington's March (in a Mss Book in the Li- brary of Congress)			
1794 (?)	Washington's March (in undated collection of Marches and Battles, see text above)	Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton (in undated collection of Marches and Battles, see text above)	1818	Washington's March, <sup>1</sup> (in <i>Amerikanische National- Marsche für das Piano-Forte</i> Leipzig, C F Peters)	
1794—5	Washington's March, as performed at the New Thea- tre, Phila (G Willig's Mu- sical Magazine)		After 1819		March at the Battle of Tren- ton, (Phila., Geo Willig, 171 Chestnut Street)
1797		Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton, as part of James Hewitt's Battle of Trenton Sonata	Before 1820	Washington's March, (Phila., G E Blake)	Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton, (Phila., G E Blake)
1798 (?)	The New President's March, (New York, J Paff's Music Store)	Washington's March (New York, J Paff's Music Store)	After 1820	Washington's March, (Baltimore, G Willig)	Washington's March, (N Y., N Thurston)
1798—1801		Washington's March (N Y., Geo Gilfert, 177 Broadway)	182(?)		Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton, (Balti- more, G Willig)
After 1798		General Washington's March, (Boston, G. Graupner, 6 Franklin Place)	Ca 1830		Washington's March, (Mss arrangement for brass band by Chas. Zeuner, Library of Congress)
1799	Brother Soldiers, All Hail ("a new patriotic song in favor of Washington", to the tune of Washington's March Phila., Benj Carr)	Washington's March (in Bel- lamy's Band Book, Mss Li- brary of Congress, scored on two treble clefs and one bass clef)	After 1832	Washington's Grand March, (N Y., Firth & Hall, 1 Frank- lin Sq)	Washington's March, (N. Y., Firth & Hall, 1 Frank- lin Sq)
1799—1800	The New President's March (N Y., J Hewitt, 23 Maiden Lane)	Washington's March (N Y., J Hewitt, 23 Maiden Lane)	Before 1833		Washington's March, (Bos- ton, C Bradlee, Washing- ton St)
1802	Washington's March, (in the <i>Flute Preceptor</i> , or <i>Co- lumbian Instructor</i> , improv'd by R Shaw, Philadelphia)	President's New March, (in the <i>Flute Preceptor</i> , etc)	1834—9		Washington's March, (N Y. Atwill's, 201 Broadway)
Ca 1805	Washington's March, (in the <i>Compleat Tutor for the Fife</i> , Phila., Geo Willig)	Washington's March, (in a Collection of <i>Favourite Marches</i> , arranged for the flute, and violin N Y., J Hewitt's Musical Repository, 59 Maiden Lane)	Before 1836	Washington's Grand March, (Arr. for the Spanish Guitar by J B L'Hulier, Phila., Geo Willig, 171 Chestnut St)	
After 1805		Washington's March, (in Willig's <i>Instruction for the German Flute</i> Phila., G Willig's Musical Magazine, 171 Chestnut Street)	184(?)		Washington's March, (Boston, G P. Reed, 17 Tre- mont Road)
1808		General Washington's March, (in the <i>Village Fifer</i> , No. 1, arranged for two fifes Exeter, N. H.)			
1814—16	Washington's Grand March, (Phila., A Bacon & Co., 11 So. 4th Street)				

<sup>1</sup>Following the publication abroad of these American marches, the following review appeared in the *Allgemeine Musikalische Zeitung* (Leipzig), September 13, 1820

These may well be the first musical compositions from North America to reach the Old World! As is well known, there is little demand there for artists (mechanical artists excepted), and of late they have even been expressly warned against immigration. It is therefore not surprising that these marches should not rank very high as musical compositions *per se*. Nor is it any more surprising that these pieces, having arisen and grown popular in that country, where utility is of course considered the principal, if not the sole requirement, should be most practically devised for the purpose at hand—as marches, for marching, in all sorts of march-time, and that in answering the broader requirements, the stimulation of courage and the warlike disposition in general, more attention should have been paid to the outward character of the music (fanfares and trumpet movements) than to the inward. In all these respects (if not in others) the reviewer finds the present work really interesting and believes that others will find it so too . . .

	March No 1	March No 2
1842	Washington's Grand March, (and the National Melody Yankee Doodle, with varia- tions, for the Spanish Guitar, Phila, Geo Willig)	
After 1843		Washington's March, (Boston, C H Keith, 67-69 Court Street)
1844—57		Washington's March, (Boston, Oliver Ditson)
1846—7		Washington's March, (arr as a duett for the Pianoforte by M Hall, N Y, Firth Hall & Pond, 239 Broadway)
1847—51	Washington's March, (Phila, E Ferrett & Co, 40 So 8th Street)	
Ca 1852		Washington's March, (N. Y, Firth, Pond & Co, 1 Franklin Square)
1854	Washington's March, (with brilliant variations, Ch Grobe, Phila, Lee & Walker, 722 Chestnut St)	
1858	Washington's March, (ar- rangement for orchestra in J	
1858	W Moore's Star collection, Boston, Oliver Ditson)	
1861	Washington's March, (in American Medley, Ch Grobe, Boston, Oliver Dit- son)	
1863—1877	Washington's Grand March, (N Y, Wm Pond & Co, 547 Broadway)	Washington's March, (N. Y, Wm Pond & Co, 547 Broadway)
Before 1864		Battle of Trenton March, (N Y, S T Gordon, 538 Broadway)
1864—9	Washington's March, (N Y, S T Gordon, 706 Broadway)	Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton, (N Y, S T Gordon, 706 Broad- way)
1876	Washington's Grand March, (arr by Septimus Winner, Boston, Oliver Ditson Co)	

This parallel list shows a number of things, principally the enormous and continued popularity of both marches, evidenced by the many editions extending to the latter part of the nineteenth century. Also, according to the number of printings that the author has tabulated and examined, March No 2 was issued more often than No 1. Another apparent fact is interesting—March No 2 has been named *Washington's March* far more often than it has been called *Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton*.

While these two marches seem to have had the widest distribution, there were of course other Washington marches, quick-steps, *Washington Guard* quicksteps, etc. One of these further marches is worthy of comment:

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## Washington's March No. 3



This piece may be of little importance, for few prints of it are extant. It was included in the *Complete Fifer's Museum* (printed in Northampton, Mass, 1807) and in 1825 it was issued in sheet music form by J T Siegling of Charleston. Yet there is at least one fact that renders it worthy of consideration. While *Genl Wayne's March* (identical with our March No 2) appears on Page 50 of *Beck's Flute Book*, this third march is found on page 12 of the same collection, with the title, *General Washington's March*. March No 3 may therefore have a claim to an early Revolutionary origin, even though it dropped from view far sooner than the others.

The authorship of none of these Washington Marches has been established, although there have been many claims in behalf of Francis Hopkinson as the composer of one of them. The following item appeared in the January, 1859, issue of the *Historical Magazine*:

I have reason to believe that the "Washington March" generally known by that title was composed by the Hon Francis Hopkinson, senior, having seen it in a manuscript book of his own handwriting among others of his known compositions.

J C

"J C." may have been Joseph Carr, a music publisher, well qualified to make such a statement, but unfortunately none of the Hopkinson manuscript books now extant, even the recently discovered book containing the *Toast to Washington*, contain any trace of a *Washington's March*. Hopkinson's authorship must rest upon tradition until further evidence is available.

## Miscellaneous Songs in Honor of Washington

The songs of the years following the Revolution show to what a great extent Washington was idolized. A "New Song" which appeared in the *Philadelphia Continental Journal* of April 7, 1786, was adapted to the tune of *God Save the King*:

God save great Washington  
His worth from ev'ry tongue  
Demands applause,  
Ye tuneful powers combine,  
And each true Whig now join  
Whose heart did ne'er resign  
The glorious cause

On the occasion of the general's birthday in 1786, the "adopted Sons" performed a work especially written for the event—an *Ode on the Birthday of his Excellency George Washington*, "celebrated by the Adopted Sons at the Pennsylvania Coffee House in Philadelphia, composed by a member of that society." The words, which were printed in the *Pennsylvania Packet* two days later, hailed Washington as a patron of music—

"Parent of soothing airs and lofty strains—"

In the same year William Selby, an English musician of Boston, composed an *Ode in Honour of General Washington*, performed at a concert in that city, April 27th

### The "Federal March" to Celebrate the Ratification of the Constitution

From May 25th to September 17th, 1787, the Constitutional Convention held its stormy sessions in Philadelphia. By June 6, 1788, ten of the States had ratified the document and "come under the Federal roof." July 4th of that year was a gala day in Philadelphia, duly commemorated in music, for Alexander Reinagle contributed the *Federal March* which was "performed in the grand procession", "composed in honor of the ratification of the Federal Constitution by Ten of the States"<sup>1</sup>

#### Federal March

Alexander Reinagle

*Maestoso*

In the Fall of 1788 another work was advertised, celebrating the same subject—the *New Constitutional March and Federal Minuet*, "composed by Mr Sicard, adapted to the pianoforte, violin and German flute".

#### Francis Hopkinson Dedicates Eight Songs to Washington

In the same year Francis Hopkinson published the eight songs that he dedicated to George Washington. The father of our country wrote many charming letters, but few were more gracious than that addressed to Hopkinson, accepting the dedication:

<sup>1</sup>In 1898 the *Federal March* was revived, when it was played in Philadelphia, October 27, during a military parade before President McKinley

But, my dear Sir, if you had any doubts about the reception which your work would meet with—or had the smallest reason to think that you should meet with any assistance to defend it—you have not acted with your usual good judgment in the choice of a coadjutor, for what alas! can I do to support it? I can neither sing one of the songs, nor raise a note on any instrument to convince the unbelieving. But I have, however, one argument which will prevail with persons of true estate (at least in America)—I can tell them that it is the production of Mr Hopkinson

While there were actually eight songs in the collection, the volume was entitled *Seven Songs*, and contained under the last number a footnote explaining that the author had decided to include it after the title page had been engraved. The titles of the songs, as well as their poetic and musical content, show the influence of the contemporary

#### FEDERAL MARCH—(Continued)

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English style. Come, fair Rosina, come away, My love is gone to sea, Beneath a weeping willow's shade,<sup>2</sup> Enraptur'd I gaze, when my Deha is by, See, down Maria's blushing cheek; O'er the hills far away, at the birth of the morn, My gen'rous heart disdains, the slave of love to be, and The trav'ler benighted and lost, o'er the mountains pursues his lone way.

Hopkinson sent a copy of the collection to Washington, and another to his friend Thomas Jefferson, who was then in Paris. In his letter to Jefferson the composer said he thought that the last song, "if played very slow, and sung with Expression", was "forcibly pathetic—at least in my fancy." Jefferson thought so, too, for he replied:

<sup>2</sup>Included in *Music from the Days of George Washington*, issued by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington

I will not tell you how much they have pleased us, nor how well the last of them merits praise for its pathos, but relate a fact only, which is that while my elder daughter was playing it on a harpsichord, I happened to look toward the fire & saw the younger one all in tears I asked her if she was sick? She said "no, but the tune was so mournful"

And that, we may be sure, was indeed a compliment!

### Music of the Inaugural Tour

On February 4, 1789, the electoral college chose Washington as the first president of the United States On April 14 he received official notification at Mount Vernon, and immediately started his memorable journey to New York, where he was inaugurated April 30

The music of these times shows his travels and his triumphs. As he passed beneath the Triumphal Arch erected on the bridge at Trenton (April 21st) he was greeted by a *Chorus*, "sung by a number of young girls, dressed in white, decked in wreaths and chaplets, holding baskets of flowers in their hands" The words, by Richard Howell, were a welcome and a tribute

Welcome mighty chief! once more  
Welcome to this grateful shore  
Now no mercenary Foe  
Aims again the fatal blow  
Aims at thee the fatal blow

Virgins fair and Matrons grave,  
Those thy conquering Arms did save,  
Build for thee Triumphal Bowers  
Strew, ye fair, his way with flowers,  
Strew your Hero's way with Flowers

"As they sung these lines", the contemporary account continues, "they strewed the flowers before the General, who halted until the Chorus was finished The astonishing contrast between his former and actual situation *on the same spot*—the elegant taste with which the Triumphal Arch was adorned at the time, and the innocent appearance of the white-robed Choir, who met him with his gratulatory Song, made a lively and strong Impression on his mind"

C. E. Godfrey, in an article in the *Trenton Sunday Advertiser*, December 29, 1912, proved conclusively that these verses were sung at Trenton to the music of Handel's *See the Conquering Hero Comes*, from *Judas Maccabeus*. In connection with this article Godfrey printed Howell's words with the Handel music, thus showing that it was entirely possible to sing them to this composition. The use of several notes for a single syllable was thoroughly characteristic of the period

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### See the Conquering Hero Comes

with words of the "Chorus" sung at Trenton

Handel

A few months later (September 22nd) the program of the New York Subscription Concert offered a number which was advertised as

"a chorus to the words which were sung as Gen Washington passed the bridge at Trenton—The music now composed by Mr Reinagle" This setting is probably identical with the published *Chorus Sung before General Washington*, "as he passed under the triumphal arch raised at the bridge at Trenton, April 21st, 1789 Set to music and dedicated by permission to Mrs Washington by A. Reinagle. Price ½ dollar Philadelphia Printed for the author, and sold by H Rice, Market Street" Yet it is clear that Reinagle's was a later setting, not the music used at Trenton

### The President's March

It is not known what music, if any, was played at Washington's inauguration ceremony, when he delivered his famous inaugural address in Federal Hall, New York It may have been at this time, however, that the famous *President's March*, later used by Joseph Hopkinson as the music for *Hail Columbia*, came into being, although it is generally assumed that the piece was not composed until after 1790.

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### The President's March

For years a controversy has been waged on the authorship of the *President's March*, and claims have been advanced for Francis Hopkinson, Philip Roth, and Philip Phile. Hopkinson's authorship has never been seriously considered by authorities, and Roth's is impossible to verify Sonneck believed that Phile's claim was established beyond reasonable doubt by the appearance, a number of years ago, of an unnumbered page in the collection of former Governor Pennypacker of Philadelphia This page had evidently been torn from an engraved music collection, and it bore two marches One of them was the *President's March* by Pheil, the other a *March* by Moller. The latter piece indicates that the sheet belonged to one of the publications issued by the firm of Moller and Capron in Philadelphia in 1793

Whoever wrote it, and whenever it first appeared, the *President's March* was the most popular piece of the early days of the United States It was played on all occasions, by bands and orchestras Leaders of the music in the theatres could not avoid playing it, for often their rendering of classics was interrupted by cat-calls and demands from the gallery for the *President's March*.

The 4th of July in 1789 was doubly celebrated, for not only was it the annual observance of the Declaration of Independence, it was the country's first Fourth as a nation This was indicated by an *Ode for American Independence*, printed in the *Massachusetts Magazine* of July 1789—the words by Daniel George, the music by Horatio Garnet The first verse refers to the Declaration of Independence, and its signing by Massachusetts' son, John Hancock



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Words by  
Daniel George

Ode for American Independence

Music by  
Horatio Gifford

'Tis done! the e-dict past, by Heav'n de-creed, And  
Han-cock's name con-firms the glor-ious deed On this au-p-er-morn  
Was In-de-pen-dence born Pro-pi-tious day!  
Hail the U-ni-ted States of blest A-mer-i-ca!  
Fly! Fly! Fly, swift-wing'd fame, the news, the news pro-  
claim From shore to shore Let can-nons roar And joy-ful voi-ces  
shout Co-lum-bia's name, shout, shout Co-lum-bia's name, Co-lum-bia's name

The next three verses recount the history of the Revolution, from Burgoyne's defeat at Saratoga, to the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown. The sixth verse deals with the present situation

Now from Mount Vernon's peaceful shades again,  
The Hero comes, with thousands in his train  
'Tis Washington, the Great  
Must fill the chair of state,  
Columbia cries  
Each tongue the glorious name re-echoes to the skies

Refrain: Fly, swift wing'd fame, etc

The final stanza hails Washington and peace

Now shall the useful arts of peace prevail,  
And commerce flourish, flavor'd by each gale,  
Discord, forever cease,  
Let Liberty and Peace,  
And Justice reign,  
For Washington protects the scientific train

Refrain: Fly, swift wing'd fame, etc.

#### Music Performed During the New England Tour of 1789

From October 15th to November 13th Washington was occupied with his famous tour of New England. When he arrived in Boston, October 24th, he was greeted at the Triumphal Arch by the singing of an *Ode to Columbia's Favourite Son*, performed by the Independent Musical Society

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#### Ode to Columbia's Favourite Son

Great Wash-ing-ton, the he-ro's come, Each  
heart ex-cit-ing bears the sound, See! thou-sands their de-  
liv-er'er throng, And shout him wel-come all a-round  
Now in full cho-rus burst the song, And about the deeds of Wash-ing-ton!

There view Columbia's Favourite Son,  
Her Father, Saviour, Friend and Guide!  
There see th' Immortal Washington!  
His Country's Glory, Boast and Pride!

In the *Christian Advocate* of February 22nd, 1900, a piece of music was printed which was called Holden's *Ode to Washington*. Oliver Holden was the composer of *Coronation*, the famous hymn-tune. This Ode is of particular interest because of the explanatory note, signed by Benjamin B. Davis of Brookline, which prefaced the printing of the piece in the *Advocate*.

Desirous of perpetuating the memory of Washington, I wrote this music from memory, of an Ode sung October 24, 1789, on the occasion of President Washington's arrival at the Old State House, Boston. Having learned it from my Father in 1805 when ten years of age, he being one of the Chorus singers

With the exception of minor variations, this Ode, written from memory by Mr. Davis, is identical with the *Ode to Columbia's Favourite Son* "sung by the Independent Musical Society", and printed anonymously in the October 1789 issue of the *Massachusetts Magazine*. This seems to establish Holden's authorship.

At the Stone (King's) Chapel, three days after the welcome at the State House, another Ode was performed "before the President of the United States of America", the words "by Mr. Brown of Boston"

#### Recitative

Behold the man! whom virtues raise  
The highest of the patriot throng!  
To him the muse her homage pays,  
And tunes the gratulatory song

#### Air

Illustrious Visitant! design'd  
By heaven's invincible decree  
Th'enoble and exalt the mind,  
And teach a nation to be free,

Welcome, thrice welcome to the spot,  
Where once thy conqu'ring banners wav'd,  
O never be thy praise forgot,  
By those thy matchless valour sav'd

Other works were issued at the time of Washington's Boston visit, one of them an *Ode to the President of the United States*, "By a Lady. The music set by Mr. Hans Gram". Gram was a German musician who had come to Boston to live, and the Ode was printed in the *Massachusetts Magazine* of October 1789, on the page immediately following the *Ode to Columbia's Favourite Son*.

In the following years there were many tributes to Washington in music and song. Samuel Holyoke, a New England psalmist and compiler of hymn collections, published in 1790 a song, *Washington*, which praised the hero's part in the struggle for liberty. *Washington's Counsel Forever Huzza!* was the title of a song "written, composed and to be sung by Mr. Clifford", in the comic opera, "The Farmer", at the Charleston Theatre on January 22, 1794. *Washington*, a song written by Mrs. Pownall, a favorite actress and songwriter of the period, was advertised as part of a concert given in Boston, August 1st, 1794. *A Song on General Washington*, by Alexander Juhan, printed with a set of six songs in 1794, commenced with the allegorical line.

"On the white cliffs of Albion, reclining sat fame—"

Mrs. Pownall wrote and sang another song in tribute to Washington in 1796—*Washington and Liberty*. It was performed after the play at the City Theatre in Charleston on the President's birthday.

#### Songs in Honor of Other Revolutionary Characters

Other historical characters of the day were commemorated. When Lafayette returned to America in 1824 and 1825 many songs and instrumental pieces were written in his honor, but some were composed in the latter eighteenth century too. *Young's Vocal and Instrumental Miscellany*, published in Philadelphia in 1794, contained

*Lafayette*, "a new song" When John Hancock died in 1793, there was published a *Sonnet*, "for the fourteenth of October, 1793. When were entombed the remains of his Excellency John Hancock, Esq. late Governor and Commander in Chief of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts The music taken from an oratorio by the famous Graun of Berlin The lines written and adapted by Hans Gram, Organist of Brattle Street Church, in Boston"

A number of songs were devoted to Major André—*Major André's Complaint*, printed at Carr & Co's Musical Repository in 1794, *Major André*, a song which appeared in the *American Musical Miscellany*, (1798), and several others.

In the final decade of the century much music was written which harked back to the Revolution. Descriptive "sonatas", and "overtures" were very popular in those days, and composers tried to write music which would be descriptive of events and scenes, much in the fashion of modern writers of so-called "program" music. One of these pieces achieved considerable vogue in America, *The Battle of Trenton*,<sup>1</sup> a sonata for pianoforte dedicated to General Washington, and first published in 1797. The composition was the work of James Hewitt, an English musician who came to America in 1792 and became active in the musical life of New York and Boston. The various sections of this piece were elaborate in their descriptiveness.

Introduction—The Army in motion—General Orders—Acclamation of the Americans—Drums beat to Arms

Attack—cannons—bomb Defeat of the Hessians—Flight of the Hessians—Begging Quarter—The Fight Renewed—General Confusion—The Hessians surrender themselves prisoners of War—Articles of Capitulation Signed—Grief of Americans for the loss of their companions killed in the engagement

Yankee Doodle—Drums and Fifes—Quick Step for the Band—Trumpets of Victory—General Rejoicing

Much music of a general patriotic nature was written and published in these years. Benjamin Carr's *Federal Overture*, first played at the Cedar Street Theatre, Philadelphia, September 1794, was important because its published version (1795) is the earliest known printing of *Yankee Doodle* in America. Several popular airs were included in the overture—*Marseilles hymn*, *Ça Ira*, *O dear, what can the matter be?*, *Rose tree*; *Carmagnole*, *President's March*, and *Yankee Doodle*.

Reinagle's *America, Commerce and Freedom* was frequently sung. It praised the life of the sailor, and toasted American shipping. This song was published in 1794, and was advertised as "sung by Mr Darley, junior, in the Ballet Pantomime of The Sailor's Landlady".

There were other "Federal Overtures". In Providence, Rhode Island, the *New Federal Overture* "composed by Mons Leaumont" was advertised for performance at the New Theatre (1795). P. A. Van Hagen, in Boston, composed a *Federal Overture* which was played at the Haymarket Theatre in October, 1797.

One of the most elaborate works was the setting by James Hewitt of some verses by a Mr. Milns, *The Federal Constitution and the President Forever*, "adapted to the joint tunes of *Washington's March* and *Yankee Doodle*". This was published in 1798. A few of the stanzas suffice to show the author's good intentions, if not his skill as a poet:

Poets may sing of their Helicon streams,  
Their Gods and their Heroes are fabulous dreams,  
They ne'er sang a line  
Half so grand, so divine,  
As the glorious toast,  
We Columbians boast,  
The Federal Constitution boys, and Liberty forever

<sup>1</sup> Included in *Music from the Days of Geo. Washington*, issued by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington.

Montgomery, Warren still live in our songs,  
Like them our young heroes shall spurn at our wrongs—  
The world shall admire  
The zeal and the fire  
Which blaze in the toast  
We Columbians boast  
The Federal Constitution and its advocates forever

Fame's trumpet shall swell in Washington's praise  
And time grant a furlough to lengthen his days;  
May health weave the thread  
Of delight round his head—  
No nation can boast  
Such a name—such a toast—  
The Federal Constitution boys, and Washington forever

### The Stormy 1790's

The years after 1790 were trying for the young American republic. The French Revolution started in 1789. In 1793 France was at war with Prussia, Austria and England. On April 22nd of that year Washington made his famous proclamation of neutrality, but there was a strong element in this country who thought we should go to war with England on the side of France, to repay the French for their aid in our struggle for independence. In the same year "Citizen Genet" arrived in Charleston and proceeded thence to Philadelphia as Minister from France. He did all he could to undermine Washington's attitude of neutrality, and his recall was demanded.

England began to seize the American ships in French trade, and the Jay treaty of 1794 effected merely a compromise with Great Britain on neutral trade. After John Adams began his presidency, France commenced raids on American shipping in reprisal for the Jay Treaty and other actions contrary to the old alliance. The French Directory seemed determined to take as overbearing an attitude towards America as she was taking against the small states of Europe. In the notorious "XYZ" affair of 1797, our ministers to France were so insulted and humiliated that Adams declared: "I will never send another minister to France without assurances that he will be received, respected and honored as the representative of a free, powerful and independent nation."

Preparations were made for hostilities, and during the next few years an actual state of war existed with France, although it was never formally declared. There were a few minor naval engagements. On July 4th, 1798, Washington was appointed commander-in-chief of the military forces of the nation.

It is necessary to know these events if we are to understand the many references to contemporary affairs in the music of the closing years of the century, for the songs of the day were closely associated with the history of the times. In the early 1790's a number of songs appeared pertaining to the French Revolution. One of them was by the English composer, Storace, entitled *Captivity*, "a ballad supposed to be sung by Marie Antoinette during her confinement". The American edition of this song was published by Carr in Philadelphia, in 1793. Another of Carr's publications in the same year was "a favorite sonata by Elfort", *The Bastille*. Then, too, there were American printings of the *Marseillaise*, *La Carmagnole* and *Ça Ira*, stirring songs of the French Revolution.

### "Hail Columbia"

Nearly all of the patriotic music of 1798 and 1799 related to our break with France. *Hail Columbia* is the most important song of this time, because it has lived to our own day, and until the Spanish-American War it shared honors with the *Star Spangled Banner* as our national anthem. The music of *Hail Columbia* is the *President's March*, and the words were written by Joseph Hopkinson, son of



Francis Hopkinson Hopkinson later told how he came to write *Hail Columbia*

"Hail Columbia" was written in the summer of 1798, when war with France was thought to be inevitable. Congress was then in session in Philadelphia, debating upon that important subject, and acts of hostility had actually taken place. The contest between England and France was still raging, and the people of the United States were divided into parties for the one side or the other, some thinking that policy and duty required us to espouse the cause of "republican France", as she was called, while others were for connecting ourselves with England, under the belief that she was the great preservative power of good principles and safe government. The violation of our rights by both belligerents was forcing us from the wise and just policy of President Washington, which was to do equal justice to both but to part with neither, and to preserve an honest and strict neutrality between them. The prospect of a rupture with France was exceedingly offensive to the portion of the people who espoused her cause, and the violence of the spirit of party had never risen higher, I think not so high, in our country, as it did at that time upon that question.

The theatre was then open in our city [Philadelphia]. A young man belonging to it [Gilbert Fox], whose talent was high as a singer, was about to take a benefit. I had known him when he was at school. On this acquaintance he called on me one Saturday afternoon, his benefit being announced for the following Monday. His prospects were very disheartening, but he said that if he could get a patriotic song adapted to the "President's March" he did not doubt a full house, that the poets of the theatrical corps had been trying to accomplish it, but had not succeeded. I told him I would try what I could do for him. He came the next afternoon, and the song, such as it is, was ready for him. The object of the author was to get up an American spirit which should be independent of, and above the interests, passions and policy of both belligerents, and look and feel exclusively for our honor and rights. No allusion is made to France or England, or the quarrel between them, or to the question of which was most in fault in their treatment of us. Of course, the song found favor with both parties, for both were American, at least neither could disown the sentiments and feelings it indicated. Such is the history of this song, which has endured infinitely beyond the expectation of the author, as it is beyond any merit it can boast of except that of being truly and exclusively patriotic in its sentiment and spirit.

#### "Adams and Liberty"

Another song, *Adams and Liberty*, was important for several reasons. It was one of the songs of the 1798 trouble with France, it showed the temper of the time, and it used for its music the English tune, *To Anacreon in Heaven*, now the melody of the *Star Spangled Banner*. This music has been attributed to Samuel Arnold, an Englishman who was composer to His Majesty's Chapel and the compiler of many ballad operas, but it is more probable that it was composed by John Stafford Smith, Arnold's successor at the Chapel Royal, about 1775. The song became known in America soon after it was written, and as a drinking song it became the official lyric of the several Anacreontic societies in this country. From 1797 the tune appeared in many versions, generally adapted to patriotic words.

In June, 1798, the Massachusetts Charitable Fire Society, at its banquet in Boston, sang a song it had commissioned Robert Treat Paine to write for the occasion. This was *Adams and Liberty*, and tradition has it that Paine received \$750 for his copyright. The author's name was originally Thomas, but not wishing to be confused with the freethinker of that name, he petitioned Congress to allow him to assume the name of his father, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, Robert Treat Paine.

The words were intensely patriotic

Ye sons of Columbia, who bravely have fought,  
For those rights, which unstain'd from your Sires has descended,  
May you long taste the blessings your valour has bought  
And your sons reap the soil, which your fathers defended,  
Mid the reign of mild peace,  
May your nation increase,  
With the glory of Rome, and the wisdom of Greece.

Refrain And ne'er may the sons of Columbia be slaves,  
While the earth bears a plant, or the sea rolls its waves

Should the tempest of War overshadow our land,  
Its bolts could ne'er rend Freedom's temple asunder,  
For unmov'd at its portal, would Washington stand,  
And repulse with his breast, the assault of his Thunder!  
His sword, from the sleep  
Of its scabbard, would leap  
And conduct, with its point, every flash to the deep

Refrain For ne'er shall the sons, etc

Let Fame to the world sound America's voice,  
No Intrigue can her sons from their Government steer,  
Her pride is her Adams—his laws are her choice,  
And shall flourish till Liberty slumber forever!  
Then unite, heart and hand,  
Like Leonidas' band,  
And swear to the God of the ocean and land,

Refrain That ne'er shall the sons, etc

Another song of 1798 linked the two heroes of the day, and referred to Adams at the head of the government, and Washington in command of the military forces. This was *Adams and Washington*, by P. A. Van Hagen, junior, printed in 1798 at the composer's "Musical Magazine", in Boston, where, we learn from the sheet music, "may also be had the new patriotic songs of Washington & Independence, Hail Patriots All, Our Country is our Ship, the Ladies Patriotic Song". Whatever the poet may have lacked in literary gifts, he made up in enthusiasm:

Columbia's brave friends with alertness advance  
Her rights to defend in defiance of France  
To volatile fribbles we never will yield,  
While John's at the Helm, and George rules the field

One of the stanzas referred to the tribute demanded of our ministers to France, a tribute that amounted to a bribe:

By paying those vultures large tributes in gold,  
I should think our dear country in some measure sold:  
Columbia the fair, they can ne'er overwhelm,  
While George rules the field, and her John's at the helm

The naval battles with France, minor engagements though they were, found record in music. *The Constellation*, companion of the *United States*, the *Constitution* and other frigates of our navy, overtook and captured the French boat *L'Insurgent*. Soon Gilbert Fox, who had been the first to sing *Hail Columbia*, presented at the theatre in Philadelphia another new song, *Huzza for the Constellation*. Truxtun, captain of the *Constellation*, was commemorated with *Truxtun's Victory*, a song "written by Mrs Rowson" and published by Van Hagen in Boston in 1799. *General Pinckney's March* "composed by Mons Foucard" and played at Charleston in 1799, honored the General Pinckney whom Washington had appointed as one of his chief subordinates when he accepted the post of commander-in-chief.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Pinckney was also the minister whom France had refused to receive, as well as one of the X Y Z commissioners, credited with the "not a cent for tribute" slogan, which some authorities claim he did not say.

# Music Composed to Mourn the Death of Washington

Nothing shows more forcibly how greatly Washington was loved by his countrymen during his lifetime than the deep sorrow of the nation when he died, December 14, 1799, and nothing proves this sorrow more effectively than the many dirges and elegies which were composed immediately after his passing away. Twelve days after he died, Benjamin Carr had ready for performance a *Dead March* and

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## Dead March and Monody

Dead March  
Very slow

Benjamin Carr

*Monody* which was performed at the memorial services held in the Lutheran Church in Philadelphia. This music was printed soon after, and it was truly dignified and in keeping with the character of the man it honored. It is interesting to note how much this piece reflects the European music of the period. It is reminiscent of the style of the later Haydn, and it seems to anticipate Beethoven, who at this time was only twenty-nine, and little known in America.

New England paid many musical tributes, among them *Hark from the Tombs, etc.* and *Beneath the Honors, etc.*, "adapted from Dr Watts and set to music by Samuel Holyoke, A. M. Performed at Newburyport, 2nd of January 1800. The day on which the citizens unitedly expressed their unbounded veneration for the memory of our beloved Washington."

Van Hagen composed *A Funeral Dirge* "on the death of General Washington", and Abraham Wood commenced his *Funeral Elegy*, "on the death of General George Washington. Adapted to the 22d of February" with the lines:

"Know ye not that a great man hath fall'n today?"

Oliver Holden contributed several works to the memorial services. His anthem, *From Vernon's Mount Behold the Hero Rise*, was performed as "part of the tributary honors to George Washington" held at Old South Meeting House in Boston, January 1800. He also wrote a *Dirge*, "or Sepulchral Service memorating the sublime virtues and distinguished talents of George Washington. Composed and set to music at the request of the Mechanic's Association, for performance on Saturday the 22 inst" (February 1800). Holden is also known to be the composer of a collection of *Sacred Dirges, Hymns and An-*

## DEAD MARCH AND MONODY—(Continued)

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Monody— Sung by Miss Broadhurst  
Slow

2.

With honor crown'd mature in age  
He felt the wonder of mankind  
Laden with laurels left the stage  
Nor leaves alas! his like behind

3.

Seated in bliss supreme on high  
O spirit dear attend our pray'r  
Our guardian angel still be nigh  
Make thy lov'd land thy heav'nly care

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Honor and Arms (from the oratorio "Samson") GS

O, Rudder Than the Cherry (From "Acis and Galatea") GS

Ombra Mai Fu (From the opera "Xerxes") GS

#### G B Lully

Bois Epais (Woods So Dense) GS

#### Giovanni Martini

Plaisir d'Amour (The Joy of Love) GS

#### G B Pergolesi

Se Tu M'Ami (If thou lovest me) GS

**Antonio Sacchini**

*Se Mai Più Sarò Geloso* (Should I Doubt Again My Loved One)  
GS

**William Shield**

*The Friar of Orders Gray* GS  
*The Thorn*, in *Requary of English Songs* GS

**Anonymous**

*The Bee*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott, in *Three Melodies of Revolutionary Times* CWH  
*The Charms of Floramel*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott CWH  
*He Stole My Tender Heart Away*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott, in *Three Melodies of Revolutionary Times* CWH  
*The Heavy Hours*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott CWH  
*Queen Mary's Farewell to France*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott, in *Three Melodies of Revolutionary Times* CWH  
*Sheep in Clusters*, harmonized by Samuel Endicott CWH

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHORUS****Mixed Voices**

*When Daisies Pied and Violets Blue*, Michael Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK  
*When Icicles Hang by the Wall*, Thomas Augustine Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK  
*Where the Bee Sucks*, Thomas Augustine Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK

**Men's Voices**

*When Icicles Hang by the Wall*, Thomas Augustine Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK  
*Where the Bee Sucks*, Thomas Augustine Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK

**Women's Voices**

*Where the Bee Sucks*, Thomas Augustine Arne, arranged by Augustus Barratt KK

**ENGLISH BALLAD OPERAS**

*The Beggar's Opera*, Gay-Pepusch, new version arranged by Frederic Austin BC  
*Polly*, Gay-Pepusch, edited and arranged by Clifford Bax and Frederic Austin BC  
*No Song, No Supper*, Storace BC  
*Rosina*, Shield BC  
*Love in a Village*, Bickerstaffe BC

**PIANO MUSIC COMPOSED IN AMERICA**

The following are included in *A Program of Early American Piano Music*, edited by John Tasker Howard. JF

**James Bremner**

*Trumpet Air*

**Benjamin Carr**

*Rondo* (from overture to "The Archers")

**John Christopher Moller**

*Sinfonia*

**John Palma**

*Lesson*

**Alexander Reimagle**

*Sonata*, E Major

**Raynor Taylor**

*The Bells*

**INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FROM ABROAD****Johann Stamitz**

*Trio*, No 5, B Flat GS

See also symphonies, overtures, quartets, sonatas, etc., by Johann Christian Bach, Haydn, Mozart, etc in catalogues of standard publishers.

**RELIGIOUS MUSIC****William Billings**

*The Lord is Risen Today*, for mixed voices, arranged by Joseph Clokey JF

**James Lyon (1735-1794)**

*The Lord Descended from Above*, for mixed voices, arranged by James Clokey JF

*Gott ein Herrscher Aller Heiden* (God is Great), seven part motet from the Ephrata Cloister Mixed chorus, arranged for six parts by James Clokey JF

*Old Hundred*, traditional hymn-tune, sung by the first settlers in America As mixed chorus in any standard hymnal

*Old Hundred*, violin solo arranged by Gustav Saenger GS

*Ye Olde New England Psalm Tunes*, mixed chorus, edited by Wm. Arms Fisher OD

**MARCHES**

From the Days of George Washington, for band and orchestra, either small or large, arranged by Adolph Schmid, including the following GS

*The President's March*

*Washington's March*

*General Burgoyne's March*

*Washington's March* (At the Battle of Trenton)

*Roslyn Castle* (Marcia Funebre)

*Quick Step* (Band March)

*Successful Campaign*

*Brandywine Quick Step*

*Yankee Doodle* (Original Version)

*Yankee Doodle* (Modern Version)

*Finale* (apotheosis) *President's March*

**President's March**

See *Hail Columbia* (Historic National Airs)

*Washington's March*, piano solo HSG

*Washington's March at the Battle of Trenton*, piano solo HSG

*The Girl I Left Behind Me*, band arrangement WJ

**BOOKS CONTAINING INSTRUCTION FOR HISTORIC DANCES**

*American Country Dances*, by Elizabeth Burchenal GS

*American Indian and Other Folk Dances*, collected by Mary Severance Shafter ASB

*Dances, Drills and Story Plays*, by Nina B Lamkin TSD

*Dances of Our Pioneers*, by Grace L Ryan ASB

*Folk Dance Music*, by Elizabeth Burchenal and C Ward Crampton GS

*Gilbert Dances*, by M B Gilbert GS

*Gymnastic and Folk Dancing*, by Mary Wood Hinman ASB

*An Introduction to the English Country Dances*, by Cecil J Sharp HWG

*Natural Dance Studies*, by Helen Norman Smith ASB

*Newman Album of Classic Dances*, by Albert W. Newman TP

*Rhythms and Dances for Elementary Schools*, by Dorothy La Salle ASB

*Three Old American Quadrilles*, collected and edited by Elizabeth Burchenal BMC

**HISTORIC NATIONAL AIRS AMERICA**

Words written in 1832, but tune known in eighteenth century as music for *God Save the King*.

**CHORUS****Mixed**

*America*, SSA, arranged by Walter H Aiken BMC

*America*, (My Country 'Tis of Thee), arranged by Gustav Ascher HSG

*America*, (My Country 'Tis of Thee), arranged by Geoffrey O'Hara JF

*America*, arranged by Rhys-Herbert JF

*America* BMC

**Men's Voices***America*, arranged by W Rhys-Herbert JF**PIANO SOLO***My Country 'Tis of Thee*, arranged by Henry Weber WMC*America*, arranged by George Smith CF**VIOLIN AND PIANO***America*, arranged by Lowell Tracy W-S*America*, Overture on National Airs, arranged by Theo M Tobani CF*America*, a fantasia, arranged by Louis Kron and Gustav Saenger CF**ORCHESTRA***America*, Overture on National Airs, arranged by Theo M Tobani CF*My Country (America)*, a scenic fantasy, arranged for symphony orchestra by Mortimer Wilson JF**ORGAN SOLO***American Fantasy*, on the theme *America*, composed by Roland Diggle W-S**HAIL COLUMBIA**

(Music of the President's March)

**CHORUS****Mixed***Hail Columbia*, arranged by W Rhys-Herbert JF*Hail Columbia*, arranged by N. Clifford Page OD*Hail Columbia*, arranged and harmonized by J. P. Weston W-S*Hail Columbia*, arranged by S T Gordon HSG**Women's Voices***Hail Columbia*, arranged and harmonized by John H Brewer GS**Men's Voices***Hail Columbia*, harmonized by Max Vogrich GS*Hail Columbia*, arranged by W. Rhys-Herbert JF*Hail Columbia*, arranged and harmonized by J P Weston W-S**VOCAL SOLO***Hail Columbia*, arranged by S T Gordon HSG**PIANO SOLO***Hail Columbia*, arranged by Henry Weber BMC*Hail Columbia*, fantasietta by T Bussell HSG**VIOLIN AND PIANO***Hail Columbia* W-S*Hail Columbia*, arranged by Louis Kron and Gustav Saenger CF**ORCHESTRA***Grand American Fantasia (Hail Columbia)*, arranged by Theo M Tobani CF**THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER**(Words written in 1814, but music sung in latter part of eighteenth century to the words, *To Anacreon in Heaven*)**VOCAL SOLO***The Star Spangled Banner*, harmonized by Walter Damrosch GS*The Star Spangled Banner*, Service Version OD**CHORUS****Mixed***The Star Spangled Banner*, harmonized by Clarence Dickinson HWG*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by S T Gordon HSG*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged and harmonized by Geofrey O'Hara (SAB) JF*The Star Spangled Banner* W-S*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by W Rhys-Herbert JF*The Star Spangled Banner*, prepared and harmonized by Geofrey O'Hara (8-part) JF**Women's Voices***The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by W Rhys-Herbert JF**Men's Voices***The Star Spangled Banner*, prepared and harmonized by Geofrey O'Hara JF*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by W Rhys-Herbert JF**PIANO SOLO***The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by Henry Weber WMC*The Star Spangled Banner*, piano version by Josef Hofmann CF*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by George Smith CF**ORGAN SOLO***The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by Ira B Wilson LPC**VIOLIN AND PIANO***The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by Lowell Tracy W-S*The Star Spangled Banner*, arranged by Louis Kron and Gustav Saenger CF**FOUR VIOLINS***National Airs*, introducing *The Star Spangled Banner*, adapted by A E Harris CF**BAND***The Star Spangled Banner*, Service Version, arranged by Wallace Goodrich OD**YANKEE DOODLE****VOCAL***Yankee Doodle*, solo or duet and chorus, arranged by S T Gordon HSG*Yankee Doodle*, chorus of mixed voices, arranged by F C OD**PIANO SOLO***Yankee Doodle*, (March) HSG*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by Henry Weber WMC*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by George Smith CF*Yankee Doodle*, with variations by "A Lady" HSG*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by William Gooch WS**VIOLIN AND PIANO***Yankee Doodle*, arranged by Louis Kron and Gustav Saenger CF*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by J Denbe CF*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by George Lowell Tracy W-S*Yankee Doodle*, arranged by Emil Levy CF**BAND***Yankee Doodle* WJ**POTPOURRI AND COLLECTIONS CONTAINING HISTORICAL NATIONAL AIRS****CHORUS***The Columbia Collection of Patriotic and Favorite Home Songs* WJ*The Everybody Sing Book*, edited by Kenneth Clark PP*Grand Army War Songs*, edited by Wilson G Smith SBS*Patriotic Medley*, arranged by H. L. Heartz W-S*Patriotic Songs of the U S A.*, edited by Frank Damrosch GS*Six National Airs*, arranged by Ambrose Davenport W-S*Songs of Dixie*, arranged by Collin Coe SBS*Songs of the People* RK*Songs of Our Nation* WMC*The Star Spangled Banner, Hail Columbia, America*, in *Starhope Edition*, edited and arranged by Frederic H Ripley and H L. Heartz W-S



## PIANO SOLO

*Centennial Echoes*, arranged by Henry Dora HSG  
*Familiar Melodies for Piano*, arranged by T L Rickaby HMC  
*Our War Songs* SBS  
*The Star Spangled Banner, Hail Columbia, Yankee Doodle*,  
 arranged by E Mack HSG  
*U S A Patrol*, introducing *Yankee Doodle*, and *The Star*  
*Spangled Banner*, composed by Harry A Peck W-S

## VIOLIN AND PIANO

*Fantase Patriotique No 1*, composed by Gustav Saenger CF  
*God Save the King (America) and Hail Columbia* W-S  
*Mammoth Collection, Songs of the World*, arranged by Louis  
 Tocaben CF  
*Old Treasures*, arranged by George Brayley CF  
*The Young Artist*, transcribed and arranged by Victor Ham  
 merel JF

## 'CELLO AND PIANO

*Recreations for Young 'Cellists, Book I*, arranged by Anton Heg  
 ner CF  
*Recreations for Young 'Cellists, Book III*, arranged by Anton  
 Hegner CF

## ORCHESTRA

*American National Melodies*, arranged by Emil Ascher EA  
*Ever-Ready Series No 1 For Special Occasions*, arranged by J  
 A Browne AMC  
*Jacob's Evergreen Collection*, arranged by R E Hildreth WJ  
*The Little Folks Own Orchestra*, compiled and arranged by  
 Griffith Lewis Gordon WMC  
*National Melodies*, edited and orchestrated by Chas J Rob  
 erts CF  
*Old Glory Selection*, arranged by J Sereby, mandolin arrange  
 ments by J Tocaben CF  
*U S A Patrol*, arranged by Otto Langley W-S

## BAND

*American National Melodies*, arranged by Emil Ascher EA  
*The Columbia Collection of Patriotic and Favorite Home Songs*,  
 arranged by R E Hildreth WJ  
*Jacob's Evergreen Collection*, arranged by R E Hildreth WJ  
*U S A Patrol*, arranged by Otto Langley W-S  
*Hail Columbia and Yankee Doodle* WJ

### III. A CATALOGUE OF MODERN MUSIC COMMEMORATING GEORGE WASHINGTON, OR OTHERWISE APPROPRIATE FOR USE IN WASHINGTON CELEBRATIONS

## Compositions Written for the United States

#### Commission for the Celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington

## SONG OF FAITH

*A Choral Ode* by JOHN ALDEN CARPENTER  
 Published by G. Schirmer, Inc., New York, N. Y  
 Chorus copies for actual use in official celebrations may be  
 obtained from the headquarters of the Commission

## GEORGE WASHINGTON BICENTENNIAL MARCH

By JOHN PHILIP SOUSA  
 Published by Sam Fox Publishing Co., Cleveland, O.

## FATHER OF THE LAND WE LOVE

*A Song* by GEORGE M. COHAN  
 Published by the United States Commission for the  
 Celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary  
 of the Birth of George Washington

#### MUSIC COMMEMORATIVE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON AND HIS TIME

## VOCAL SOLO

*Father of the Land We Love*, song by Geo M Cohan USGW  
*The Birthday of Washington*, a song with recitation, edited by  
 Walter H Aiken BMC  
*Honor to Washington*, music by William J Oates, words by  
 James F Oates JFO  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, song, words and music by John  
 Richard Mullen, Geo. C Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by  
 Edward L. Bohal ELB  
*Washington*, words and music by Chas. H LaTourette LaT  
*Washington Birthday March*, march song, words and music by  
 Mary Pickens Opie, published by M P Opie, Olney, Md.  
 Available also for band and orchestra

## CHORUS

## Mixed

*Song of Faith*, a choral ode, by John Alden Carpenter GS  
*All About George Washington*, words and music by Alan Gray  
 Campbell EEH  
*America's Memory (Commemoration of George Washington)*  
 by Michael Herrmann AMP  
*Fair Land of Washington*, arranged by N Clifford Page OD  
*Father of the Freeman's Nation*, music by Henry Waller, words  
 by Frederick Manley CCB  
*George Washington the Father of Our Country*, music by Ira  
 B Wilson, libretto by Edith Sanford Tillotson LPC  
*The Glorious Name of Washington*, arranged by William Arms  
 Fisher OD  
*Hail Brave Washington*, music by Kane Powers, words by Lizzie  
 Dearmond BMC  
*Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by  
 Franz C Bornschein CCB  
*The Land of Washington*, composed by John Carroll Ran  
 dolph OD  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, song, words and music by John  
 Richard Mullen, George C Hofer and Alex P Werner  
 MPC  
*Lexington Ode*, music by Schubert-Felton, words by G A.  
 Brown TP  
*Mount Vernon Bells*, arranged by B Clifford Page, music by  
 Stephen C Foster OD  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by  
 Edward L. Bohal ELB  
*Ode for Washington's Birthday*, music by L van Beethoven,  
 arranged by N Clifford Page OD  
*The Spirit of '76*, music by Ira B Wilson, libretto by Dorothy  
 Summerau LPC  
*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richards  
 Gaines CCB

**Women's Voices**

- George Washington "February"*, (Unison) Music by Mrs R Forman, words by Gertrude L Knox JF  
*Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by Franz C Bornschein CCB  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L Bohal ELB  
*Our Washington*, music by Sybil Ann Hanks, poem by Clinton Scollard HTF  
*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richards Gaines CCB

**Children's Voices**

- Father of Liberty*, (Unison), a march song Music by Charles J Roberts, words by Irving Cheyette CF  
*The U S A in Rhyme and Lay*, (Unison), verses and music by Helen Cramm BMC

**Men's Voices**

- Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by Franz C Bornschein CCB  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L Bohal ELB  
*Our Washington*, music by Sybil Ann Hanks, poem by Clinton Scollard HTF  
*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richards Gaines CCB

**PIANO SOLO**

- Colonial Dames*, a gavotte, by J F Zimmermann TP  
*Colonial Dames*, by Frederick Williams TP  
*Colonial Dance*, by R. G. Rathburn TP  
*Colonial Dance*, by Charles M Tait TP  
*Colonial Days*, by R Goerdeler TP  
*Colonial Days*, introducing "Virginia Reel", by R. S Morrison TP  
*George Washington Bicentennial March*, by John Philip Sousa SF  
*Martha Washington*, by Eugene Wyatt BMC  
*The Minute Men*, by Albert Stoessel BMC  
*Washington's Birthday*, introducing Yankee Doodle, by George L Spaulding TP

**VIOLIN SOLO**

- Colonial Dance*, by M. Greenwald TP

**TWO VIOLINS. OR VIOLIN AND PIANO**

- Colonial Days*, by M Greenwald TP

**ORCHESTRA**

- Father of the Land We Love*, by Geo M Cohan USGW  
*George Washington Bicentennial March*, by John Philip Sousa SF  
*Father of His Country*, march, by E E Bagley WJ  
*First in Peace*, (George Washington), march, by James M Fulton OD  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, by John Richard Mullen, Geo C. Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC

**BAND**

- Father of the Land We Love*, by Geo. M. Cohan USGW  
*George Washington Bicentennial March*, by John Philip Sousa SF  
*Father of His Country*, march, by E E Bagley WJ  
*Father of Liberty*, march, by Charles J. Roberts CF  
*First in Peace*, (George Washington), march, by James M Fulton OD  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, by John Richard Mullen, George C Hofer and Alex P. Werner MPC  
*A Great American*, by Lieut Charles Benter, arranged by Mayhew Luke MM

**CANTATAS****MIXED VOICES**

- Braddock's Defeat*, by Henry P Cross OD  
*George Washington*, words by Romanie Van De Poole, music by J V Dethier CCB  
*The Goddess of Liberty*, by Camille W Zeckwer TP  
*The Minute Man*, by Franz C Bornschein OD  
*Our First Flag*, by E S Hosmer OD  
*Paul Revere*, book, lyrics and music by May Hewes Dodge and John Wilson Dodge WMC  
*Paul Revere's Ride*, by Carl Busch OD  
*The Phantom Drum*, music by James P Dunn, poem by Frederick H Martens JF  
*The Spirit of '76*, music by Ira B Wilson, libretto by Dorothy Summerau LPC  
*The Tale of the Bell*, music by William Lester, words by Frederick H Martens JF  
*Washington*, music by R Dean Shure, book by Edward C Potter JF

**MEN'S VOICES**

- The Liberty Bell*, by William G Hammond OD  
*Our Colors*, music by Charles Gilbert Spross, text by Caroline Lord TP

**WOMEN'S VOICES**

- The Mischianza*, music by Camille Zeckwer, words by Richard J Beamish CF

**CHILDREN'S VOICES**

- George Washington the Father of Our Country*, music by Ira B Wilson, libretto by Edith Sanford Tillotson LPC

**OPERETTAS****MIXED VOICES**

- Home and Native Land*, by Will H Ruebush and John W. Wayland RK

**CHILDREN'S VOICES****Mixed**

- Betsy Ross*, or *The Origin of Our Flag*, music by George L Spaulding, book and text by Jessica Moore MW  
*The Lost Locket*, music by Mrs R R Forman, words by Gertrude Knox Willis TP  
*Mount Vernon*, music by R. Spaulding Stoughton, book by Frederick H Martens OD  
*Washington's Birthday*, book, lyrics and music by Lina Loring WMC  
*When Betsy Ross Made Old Glory*, words and music by Maud Orta Wallace WMC  
*When Washington was a Boy*, words and music by John Mokrejs CFS

**Boys' Voices**

- Charter Oak*, music by Edward Johnston, book by Edith M. Burrows JF  
*Old Glory*, by Anthony J Schindler JF

**RELIGIOUS MUSIC****VOCAL SOLO**

- God Save Our President*, music by W. Franke Harling, words by W. Franke Harling and Frank Conroy HWG  
*O Beautiful, My Country*, (Bass) by Mark Andrews HWG

**CHORUS**

- American Army Hymn*, music by Mark Andrews, words by Allen Eastman Cross HWG  
*George Washington Processional*, music by George B Nevin, words by Lillian C Nevin OD  
*God of Our Fathers*, music by Eugene W Wyatt, words by J H Hopkins HWG



*God of Our Fathers*, arranged to the music of the *Inflammatus* from Rossini's *Stabat Mater*, words by William Smedley HWG

*God Save America*, music by W Franke Harling, words by W Franke Harling and Frank Conroy HWG

*God Save Our President*, music by W Franke Harling, words by W Franke Harling and Frank Conroy HWG

*Great God of Love, For This Our Land So Free*, melody by C LaVallee, arranged for chorus by A Jury HWG

*Peace Hymn of the Republic*, music by Walter Damrosch, words by Henry Van Dyle HWG

*A Prayer For Our Country*, music by W R Voris HWG

*We Lift Our Hearts, O God, To Thee*, music by A Bernard, words by Right Reverend B B Ussher BMC

#### VIOLIN SOLO

*Old Hundred*, arranged by Gustav Saenger CF

## IV. MUSICAL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

### 1. SUGGESTED MUSIC TO BE USED FOR PROGRAMS FOR THE NATION-WIDE CELEBRATION IN 1932 OF THE TWO HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

(Published and distributed by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington)

Note—Selections marked \* are printed in "Music from the Days of George Washington", published and distributed by the United States Commission for the Celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington  
Selections marked † may be found in the first chapter of this booklet

#### PROGRAM ONE—FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

\**Beneath a Weeping Willow's Shade*—Francis Hopkinson (A song written by Francis Hopkinson, signer of the Declaration of Independence, and dedicated to Washington)

\**Sonata*, for pianoforte, first movement—Alexander Reinagle

\**Rondo* (for piano)—William Brown  
(Concert pieces of the latter 18th century)

#### PROGRAM TWO—HOMES OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

\**The Mansion of Peace*—Samuel Webbe (English song well known in America)

\**Sonata*—Reinagle

\**Rondo*—William Brown

#### PROGRAM THREE—YOUTH AND MANHOOD OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

*The British Grenadiers*

*Rule Britannia*

*God Save the King*

*Green Sleeves*

(English songs sung in America during Washington's youth and manhood. They may be found in many standard collections)

†*Girls and Boys Come out to Play*

†*The Haymaker's Dance*

#### PROGRAM FOUR—THE MOTHER OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

\**Lullaby*—Stephen Storace

\**The Mansion of Peace*—Samuel Webbe

#### PROGRAM FIVE—GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE MAN OF SENTIMENT

\**Beneath a Weeping Willow's Shade*—Hopkinson

\**The Bud of the Rose*—William Sheld (An English song written in 1782 and sung in the ballad opera "Rosina", which was frequently performed in this country)

#### PROGRAM SIX—GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE MAN OF ACTION IN CIVIL AND MILITARY LIFE

\**The Battle of Trenton* (An historical military sonata for piano, dedicated to General Washington by James Hewitt)

\**Washington's March*

\**The Toast* (to Washington)—Francis Hopkinson

#### PROGRAM SEVEN—GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE CHRISTIAN

*Old Hundred* (This is the oldest tune sung by the colonists which has survived to the present day. The Puritans and Pilgrims brought it with them from abroad and sang to it the words of the One Hundredth Psalm. Today it is used for singing the Doxology)

*Coronation*—Oliver Holden (This stirring tune was composed in 1793 by Oliver Holden, a New England composer who wrote a number of odes in honor of George Washington. The hymn-tune "Coronation" has always been sung to the words of "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name")

Both of these hymn-tunes may be found in any standard collection

#### PROGRAM EIGHT—GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE LEADER OF MEN

\**The Toast*—Francis Hopkinson

\**The President's March*

\**Washington's March*

#### PROGRAM NINE—THE SOCIAL LIFE OF GEORGE WASHINGTON

\**Successful Campaign* (A country dance tune, said to be a favorite of George Washington)

\**Minuet and Gavotte*—Alexander Reinagle (It is commonly supposed that Reinagle was engaged by Washington as the music teacher for his adopted daughter, Nelly Custis)

\**Two Minuets* (Danced before General and Mrs Washington)—Pierre Duport

#### PROGRAM TEN—GEORGE WASHINGTON, THE BUILDER OF THE NATION

\**President's March*

\**Washington's March*

\**The Toast*

## PROGRAM ELEVEN—GEORGE WASHINGTON THE PRESIDENT

\**The President's March*—Philip Phile (It is generally supposed that the *President's March* was written shortly after Washington's inauguration as President, to take the place of the *Washington's March of Revolutionary times*)

## PROGRAM TWELVE—THE HOMEMAKING OF GEORGE AND MARTHA WASHINGTON

\**The Wayworn Traveller*—Samuel Arnold (This song, composed in 1793, is known to have been a favorite of Washington)

\**Deha* (song)—Henri Capron

\**Sonata for Pianoforte*—Reinagle

## 2. MISCELLANEOUS PATRIOTIC MUSIC ESPECIALLY SUITED TO CLUBS, COL- LEGES AND PATRIOTIC ORGANIZA- TIONS

(See also *A Catalogue of Authentic Eighteenth Century Music in Modern Editions*, and *A Catalogue of Modern Music Commemorating George Washington*, and *Otherwise Appropriate for use in Washington Celebrations*)

### VOCAL SOLO

*Father of the Land We Love*, by George M Cohan USGW  
*Allegiance*, words and music by Albert Shutt AS  
*All Hail America*, music by Albert D Liefeld, words by Walter E Schuette ADL  
*American Consecration Hymn*, music by Francis MacMillen, poem by Percy MacKaye CF  
*America Our Own Our All*, music by Joe Hahn, words by J B Strauss FMP  
*Dear Old Flag*, words and music by L Z Phillips SMC  
*Dear Old Glory*, words and music by Bernard Hamblen HWG  
*Flag of My Country*, music by J C Beckel, words by David Bates HSG  
*Flag of My Home and Heart*, words and music by E Toldridge ET  
*Flag of the Free*, by Harrison Millard HSG  
*God's Country*, words and music by Frank Sheridan, arranged by Christopher O'Hare KK  
*Honor to Washington*, music by William J. Oates, words by James F. Oates JFO  
*Just a Bit of Cloth, but It's Red White and Blue*, words and music by Harry C Eldredge EEH  
*Land O'Mine*, music by James G MacDermid, words by Wilbur D Nesbit FMP  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, song, words and music by John Richard Mullen, Geo C. Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC  
*My Own Red White and Blue*, words and music by Jas R. Fennell JRF  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L. Bohal ELB  
*O Beautiful, My Country*, music by Mark Andrews HWG  
*O Glorious Emblem*, words and music by Thomas O'Neill TP  
*Old Glory (A Patriotic Song of America)*, music by Homer N Bartlett, words by Thomas J. Duggan CF  
*Old Glory I Salute You*, words and music by Vaughn De Leath CF  
*Our Country, O Land of Glory*, music by Rossini, arranged by W. Ethelbert Fisher WMC  
*Our Flag*, music by William J Guard, words by Frank Lawrence Jones CF  
*Our Own America (We Trust in Thee)*, words and music by Bernice E Comey NMB  
*Song of the American Eagle*, words and music by Gene Wel-ler GW

*There's Magic in the Flag*, words and music by George L Spaulding HMC

*United States of America*, (My Country), words and melody by Michael Herrmann AMP

*Washington Birthday March*, words and music by Mary Pickens Opie MPO

*Washington*, words and music by Chas H LaTourette LaT

### CHORUS

#### Mixed

*Song of Faith*, a choral ode, by John Alden Carpenter GS  
*Allegiance*, words and music by Albert Shutt AS  
*America*, music and words of verses 1 and 4 by Theodore Henckels, words of verses 2 and 3 by Henry Van Dyke TH  
*America*, music by Leo Ornstein, words by Frederick Martens CF  
*America*, music by Charles A Chase, words by Samuel F Smith BMC  
*America Dear Land of Hope*, verses An Ancient Irish Melody, Chorus by Walker Gwynne DD, Harmonized by W Y Webbe HWG  
*American Army Hymn*, music by Mark Andrews, words by Allen Eastman Cross HWG  
*The American Flag*, words by Joseph Rodman Drake, music by Carl Busch HWG  
*American Consecration Hymn*, music by Francis Macmillen, poem by Percy MacKaye CF  
*American Hymn (Speed Our Republic)*, words and music by Matthias Keller, edited by I Meeks WMC  
*America, the Beautiful*, music by Herbert C Peabody, words by Katherine Lee Bates HWG  
*America's Memory (Commemoration of George Washington)*, by Michael Herrmann AMP  
*America, My Land*, music by John Wilson Dodge, words by May Hewes Dodge WMC  
*Braddock's Defeat*, by Henry P Cross OD  
*Columbia*, music by W W Nusbaum, words by R. E Rose WMC  
*Columbia, Columbia*, arranged by D F E Auber TP  
*Dear Old Glory*, words and music by Bernard Hamblen HWG  
*Democracy*, music by Carrie Jacobs-Bond, words by William Mill Butler BMC  
*The Flag is Passing By*, music by Reginald Barrett, text by Henry Holcomb Bennett TP  
*Father of the Freeman's Nation*, words by Frederick Manley, music by Henry Waller CCB  
*Flag of My Land*, music by Charles A Chase, words by T A Daly BMC  
*Freedom's Flag*, words and music by J Harold Powers WMC  
*For Thee America*, music by Alexander Maloof, words by Elizabeth Serber Freid AM  
*George Washington*, a cantata, words by Romanie Van De Poele, music by J. V. Dethier CCB  
*George Washington Processional*, music by George B Nevin, Words by Lillian C. Nevin OD  
*The Goddess of Liberty*, a cantata, by Camille W Zeckwer TP  
*God of Our Fathers*, arranged to the music of the *Inflammatus* from Rossini's *Stabat Mater*, words by Wm Smedley HWG  
*God of Our Fathers*, music by Eugene W Wyatt, words by J H Hopkins HWG  
*God's Country*, words and music by Frank Sheridan, arranged by Christopher O'Hare KK  
*God Save America*, music by W. Franke Harling, words by W Franke Harling and Frank Conroy HWG  
*God Save Our President*, music by W Franke Harling, words by W Franke Harling and Frank Conroy HWG  
*Great God of Love, For Thus Our Land so Free*, melody by C La Vallee, arranged for chorus by A. Jury HWG  
*Hail, Brave Washington*, music by Kane Powers, words by Lizzie Dearmond TP  
*Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by Franz C Bornschein CCB

*Land O'Mine*, music by James G MacDermid, words by Wilbur D Nesbitt FMP  
*Land of Our Hearts*, music by George Whitefield Chadwick, poem by John Hall Ingham BMC  
*The Land of Washington*, by John Carroll Randolph OD  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, song, words and music by John Richard Mullen, Geo C Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC  
*Let Freedom's Music Ring*, words and music by Wellington Adams EBM  
*Let the Hills with Song Resound*, music by Brinley Richards, words by W J Baltzell TP  
*Lexington Ode*, music by Schubert-Felton, words by G A Brown TP  
*Long Live America*, words and music by Will George Butler WGB  
*Long Wave Old Glory*, by R M Stults TP  
*Lord Howe's Masquerade (A Revolutionary Legend)*, by N. Clifford Page OD  
*The Minute Man*, a cantata, by Franz C. Bornschein OD  
*My America*, by Frank Peer Beal BMC  
*My Country 'tis of Thee* (a new setting to the poem "America") by E S Lorenz, words by S F Smith LPC  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L Bohal ELB  
*'Neath the Flag of the U S A.*, words and music by Rusca Williams WMC  
*O Columbia We Hail Thee*, arranged by L S Leason TP  
*Old Glory (A Patriotic Song of America)*, music by Homer N Bartlett, words by Thomas J Duggan CF  
*Old Glory*, by Kate McCurdy WMC  
*Old Glory I Salute You*, words and music by Vaughn De Leath, arranged by Palmer Clark CF  
*Our Country, O Land of Glory*, music by Rossini, arranged by W. Ethelbert Fisher WMC  
*Our Country Festival Choral March*, words and music by George F Whiting TP  
*Our First Flag*, by E S. Hosmer OD  
*Our Nation*, words and music by George R Young WMC  
*Our Native Land*, music by William Lester, words by John R Wreford CF  
*Our Pledge to U S A*, music by M H. Greulich, words by Luke S Murdock WMC  
*Our United States*, arranged, harmonized and orchestrated by Leopold Stokowski, words by Edward W Bok TP and CF  
*Paul Revere*, a cantata, book, lyrics and music by May Hewes Dodge and John William Dodge WMC  
*Paul Revere's Ride*, a cantata, by Carl Busch OD  
*Peace-Hymn of the Republic*, music by Walter Damrosch, words by Henry Van Dyke HWG  
*The Phantom Drum*, a cantata, music by James P. Dunn, poem by Frederick H Martens JF  
*The Pilgrim Fathers*, music by Percy E Fletcher, words by Felicia Hemans HWG  
*A Prayer for Our Country*, music by W. R. Voris HWG  
*Song to the Flag*, music by John Geo Boehme, words by Estella Clark, arranged by Palmer Clark CF  
*The Tale of the Bell*, a cantata, by William Lester, words by Frederick H. Martens JF  
*Thru All The Land*, music by Gounod, arranged by Christopher O'Hare, words by E S S Huntington KK  
*To America*, music by Cecil Forsyth, words by Alfred Austin HWG  
*The Unfurling of the Flag*, music by John Hopkins Denmore, words by Clara Endicott Sears BMC  
*The United States of America*, words and music by L. B Cochran WMC  
*Washington*, a cantata, composed by R Dean Shure, book by Edward Potter JF

*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richard Gaines CCB  
*We Love Thee, America*, by Ruby Barrett Carson WMC

#### Men's Voices

*The American Legion*, music by J Sebastian Matthews, words by William Adams Slade HWG  
*Dear Old Glory*, words and music by Bernard Hamblen, arranged by Mark Andrews HWG  
*Democracy*, music by Carrie Jacobs-Bond, words by William Mill Butler BMC  
*Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by Franz C Bornschein CCB  
*Land of Our Hearts*, music by George Whitefield Chadwick, words by John Hall Ingham BMC  
*Land O' Mine*, music by James G MacDermid, words by Wilbur D Nesbit FMP  
*Liberty Bell*, a ballad cantata, by William G Hammond OD  
*My America*, by Frank Peer Beal BMC  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L Bohal ELB  
*O Native Land*, music by Alfred Wooller, words by S E Mekin WMC  
*Our Washington*, music by Sybil Ann Hanks, poem by Clinton Scollard HTF  
*Our Colors*, a cantata, music by Charles Gilbert Spross, text by Caroline Lord TP  
*The Song of Freedom*, music by G Ad Uthmann, text by C L Seelbach TP  
*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richard Gaines CCB

#### Women's Voices

*God's Country*, words and music by Frank Sheridan KK  
*Homage to Washington*, words by Dorothy Rose, music by Franz C Bornschein CCB  
*Land of Our Hearts*, music by George Whitefield Chadwick, words by John Hall Ingham BMC  
*Land O' Mine*, music by James G MacDermid, words by Wilbur D Nesbit FMP  
*My America*, by Frank Peer Beal BMC  
*The Muschianza*, a cantata, words by Richard J Beamish, music by Camille Zeckwer CF  
*National Ode to George Washington*, words and music by Edward L Bohal ELB  
*O Columbia, Columbia Beloved*, music by Donizetta, arranged by Viano WMC  
*Our America*, words and music by Anna Case TP  
*Thru All the Land*, music by Gounod, arranged by Christopher O'Hare, words by E S S Huntington KK  
*Washington*, words by David Stevens, music by Samuel Richard Gaines CCB

#### ORGAN SOLO

*Liberty March*, by J Frank Fryminger TP

#### PIANO SOLO

*Allegiance*, by Albert Shutt AS

#### ORCHESTRA

*Father of the Land We Love*, by Geo M Cohan USGW  
*Allegiance*, by Albert Shutt AS  
*American Eagle March*, by John Geo Boehme CF  
*American Rhapsody*, by George F W. Bruhns, arranged by Ross Jungnickel RJ  
*American Patrol*, by F W. Meacham CF  
*The American Sentinels March*, music by Joe Hahn, arranged by Harry L Alford FMP  
*America Our Own Our All*, music by Strauss and Hahn, arranged by Charles L Johnson FMP  
*Cruiser Harvard (march)*, by Gustav Strube MMC  
*Land O'Mine*, by James G MacDermid FMP

*Lead Us On, Washington*, song, words and music by John Richard Mullen, Geo. C Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC  
*National Heroes' March* (U S A Battle March), by George F W Bruhns, arranged by Ross Jungnickel RJ  
*Our National Honor* (March), by Wm Grant Brooks, arranged by Julius S. Sereby, mandolin arrangement by L Tocaben CF  
*Overture Americana*, by M L Lake CF  
*Song of the American Eagle*, by Gene Weller, orchestra arrangement by Charles J Johnston GW  
*United Liberty March*, by F H Losey, arranged by Sereby-Tocaben CF  
*Washington Birthday March*, words and music by Mary Pickens Opie MPO

#### BAND

*Father of the Land We Love*, by Geo M Cohan USGW  
*Allegiance*, by Albert Shutt AS  
*American Bugler*, by M L Lake CF  
*American Consecration Hymn*, music by Francis MacMillen, poem by Percy MacKaye, arranged by M L Lake CF  
*American Fantasia*, by Victor Herbert, arranged by Julius Sereby CF  
*The American Sentinels March*, by Joe Hahn, arranged by Harry L Alford FMP  
*America Our Own Our All*, by Joe Hahn FMP  
*Cruiser Harvard*, by Gustav Strube MMC  
*Dear Old Flag*, by L Z Phillips SMC  
*A Great American*, by Lieut Charles Benter, arranged by Mayhew Lake MM  
*Lead Us On, Washington*, by John Richard Mullen, Geo C Hofer and Alex P Werner MPC  
*March "Patriotic"*, compiled by George Rosey, arranged by J C McCabe MMC  
*Old Glory I Salute You*, by Vaughn De Leath, arranged by Chas J Roberts CF  
*Patriots and Pioneers*, by Joseph Meinrath, arranged by H O Wheeler FMP  
*United States of America, (My Country)*, by Michael Herrmann MH  
*Washington Birthday March*, by Mary Pickens Opie MPO

### 3. MISCELLANEOUS PATRIOTIC MUSIC ESPECIALLY SUITED TO JUNIOR ORGANIZATIONS (SCHOOLS, CLUBS, BOY AND GIRL SCOUTS, ETC.)

(See also *A Catalogue of Authentic Eighteenth Century Music in Modern Editions*, and *A Catalogue of Modern Music Commemorating George Washington, or Otherwise Appropriate for Use in Washington Celebrations*)

#### VOCAL SOLO

*Father of the Land We Love*, by Geo M Cohan USGW  
*All About George Washington*, words and music by Alan Gray Campbell EEH  
*All Hail America*, music by Albert D Liefeld, words by Walter E. Schuette ADL  
*America*, words by Frederick Martens, music by Leo Ornstein CF  
*Dear Old Flag*, words and music by L Z Phillips SMC  
*Dear Old Glory* (Key of G), words and music by Bernard Hamblen HWG  
*Flag of My Home and Heart*, words and music by E Toldridge ET

*God's Country*, words and music by Frank Sheridan, arranged by Christopher O'Hare KK  
*Honor to Washington*, music by William J Oates, words by James F Oates JFO  
*Just a Bit of Cloth, but It's Red White and Blue*, words and music by Harry C Eldredge EEH  
*Land O'Mine*, music by James G MacDermud, words by Wilbur D Nesbit FMP  
*Old Glory I Salute You*, words and music by Vaughn De Leath CF  
*Our Own America (We Trust in Thee)*, words and music by Bernice E Comey NMB  
*There's Magic in the Flag*, words and music by George L Spaulding HMC  
*Washington*, words and music by Chas H LaTourette LaT

#### CHORUS

##### Mixed

*Song of Faith*, a choral ode, by John Alden Carpenter GS  
*The Banner of the Free*, music by Brinley Richards, words by E R Latta, edited by Walter H Aiken WMC  
*Betsy Ross, or the Origin of Our Flag*, an operetta, music by George L Spaulding, book and text by Jessica Moore MW  
*Charter Oak*, an operetta, music by Edward Johnston, book by Edith M Burrows JF  
*Father of Liberty*, a march, music by Charles J Roberts, words by Irving Cheyette CF  
*The Father of Uncle Sam*, words and music by Harry C Eldredge EEH  
*The Flag is Passing By*, music by Reginald Barrett, text by Henry Holcomb Bennett TP  
*For Thee America*, music by Alexander Maloof, words by Elizabeth Serber Freid AM  
*God's Country*, words and music by Frank Sheridan, arranged by Christopher O'Hare KK  
*Hail Brave Washington*, music by Kane Powers, words by Lizzie Dearmond TP  
*Hail the Flag*, an anthem, dedicated to Girl and Boy Scouts of the U S, words and music by James E Ryan IMP  
*Hail to the Flag*, music by J A Jeffrey, words by Charles Henry Arndt TP  
*Let the Hills With Song Resound*, music by Brinley Richards, words by W J Baltzell TP  
*Lexington Ode*, music by Schubert-Felton, words by G A Brown TP  
*The Lost Locket*, an operetta, words by Gertrude Knox Willis, music by Mrs R R Forman TP  
*Mount Vernon*, an operetta, music by R Spaulding Stoughton, book by Frederick H Martens OD  
*Old Glory (Or The Boys of '76)* an operetta, by Anthony J Schindler JF  
*Old Glory*, by Kate McCurdy WMC  
*One Land United*, text and music by Paul Bliss WMC  
*Our Country's Flag* (Unison) music by J Truman Wolcott, text by Mrs. Florence L Dresser TP  
*Our Flag (The Stars and Stripes)* a cantata, music by George F. Root, words by Lydia Avery Coonley TP  
*Our Presidents* (unison) words and music by Frank L Bristol WMC  
*Our United States* (unison) original melody by C. F Van Rees, words by Edward W Bok, arranged, harmonized and orchestrated by Leopold Stokowski TP  
*Paul Revere*, a cantata, book, lyrics and music by May Hewes Dodge and John Wilson Dodge WMC  
*The Pilgrim Fathers*, music by Percy E Fletcher, words by Felicia Hemans HWG  
*Song of the Stars and Stripes*, music by A J Boex, words by Alex B. McAvoy WMC

*The Unfurling of the Flag*, music by John Hopkins Densmore,  
words by Clara Endicott Sears BMC

*Thru All the Land*, music by Gounod, arranged by Christopher  
O'Hare, words by E S S Huntington KK

*Washington's Birthday*, an operetta, book, lyrics and music by  
Lina Loring WMC

*When Betsy Ross Made Old Glory*, a playlet, words and music  
by Maud Onta Wallace WMC

#### PIANO SOLO

*American Cadet* (march) by Eugene Edgar Ballard FMP

*Boy Scouts March*, by Henry Purmont Eames FMP

*Patriots and Pioneers*, by Joseph Meinrath FMP

*Waving Flags* (military march) music by Al Caradies, arranged  
by Leo Oehmler TP

#### VIOLIN AND PIANO

*America Forever* (march), by Robert Widdop W-S

*Red White and Blue*, arranged by Louis Kron and Gustav  
Saenger CF

#### 'CELLO AND PIANO

*Recreations for Young 'Cellists, Book II*, arranged by Anton  
Hegner CF

#### ORCHESTRA

*Father of the Land We Love*, by George M Cohan USGW

*The American Sentinels March*, by Joe Hahn, arranged by  
Harry L Alford FMP

*America Our Own, Our All*, by Strauss and Hahn, arranged by  
Charles L Johnson FMP

*George Washington Bicentennial March*, by John Philip Sousa  
SF

*The Little Folks Own Orchestra*, compiled and arranged by  
Griffith Lewis Gordon WMC

#### BAND

*Father of the Land We Love*, by George M Cohan USGW

*The American Sentinels March*, by Joe Hahn, arranged by  
Harry L Alford FMP

*America Our Own, Our All*, music by Joe Hahn FMP

*Father of Liberty* (march), by Charles J Roberts CF

*George Washington Bicentennial March*, by John Philip Sousa  
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*A Great American*, by Lieut Charles Benter, arranged by May-  
hew Lake MM

*Old Glory, I Salute You*, by Vaughn De Leath, arranged by  
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*Patriots and Pioneers*, by Joseph Meinrath FMP

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